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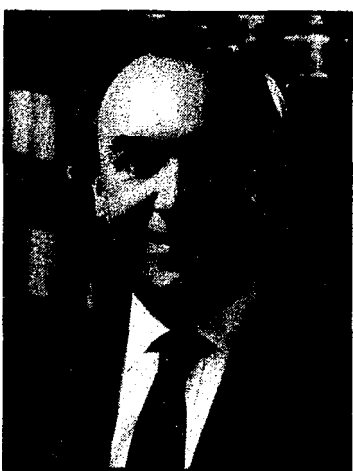
Will it be...

Engler or Fieger?

by Cheryl Ruley
Staff Writer

With the November 3 election date fast approaching, here is a quick overview of our gubernatorial candidates.

Incumbent Republican candidate John M. Engler celebrated his 50th birthday on October 12. He was born in Mt. Pleasant and resides there today.



Governor John Engler
Republican

Engler is a Roman Catholic, married to his second wife, Michelle and the couple has triplet daughters, Margaret, Hannah, and Madeleine.

The twice-elected governor of Michigan graduated in 1966 from Beal City High School, then went on to earn a B.S. in agricultural economics at Michigan State University in 1971. He is also a 1981 graduate of Cooley Law School.

Incumbent Engler has been endorsed by such groups as the Michigan Chamber of Commerce, Michigan Farm Bureau, Michigan Manufacturers Association, Michigan Insurance Federation, Arab-American Political Action Committee, Michigan Association of Home Builders, Macomb County Taxpayers Association, National Federation of Independent Business, Michigan Restaurant Association, Police Officers Association of Michigan, Michigan Fraternal Order of Police, Deputy Sheriff's Association of Michigan, Detroit Police Officers Association, Michigan State Medical Society, Michigan Association of Realtors, Right to Life of Michigan, National Rifle Association, Health Care Association of Michigan, and Polish American Coalition.

In his professional career, Governor Engler was first elected to the state House in 1970, then was elected to the state Senate in 1978 and where he became majority leader in 1983. Engler was elected governor of Michigan in 1990 and re-elected in 1994.

Engler said he thinks his top professional accomplishment was "the passage of Proposal A, which cut property taxes, improved school equity and brought school quality into focus as our top priority."

When asked what his number one priority will be if re-elected he said, "I want to finish the job we started. I want to cut more taxes, help create even more good-paying jobs, continue welfare reforms, make government even more efficient, strengthen more families and, most important, achieve the goal I've set for Michigan: to have the best schools in the world."

"As we look ahead to the next century, both Detroit and Michigan are on the right track. Our goal is for Detroit to be number one by 2001 and for Michigan to be first in the 21st century."

Democratic candidate Geoffrey N. Fieger will celebrate his 48th birthday on December 23. Fieger was born in Detroit, but these days resides in Bloomfield Hills.

Fieger is married to Keenie, has no children and is a Unitarian.

In 1974 Fieger earned an A.B. in theater from the University of Michigan and earned an M.A. in speech in 1976 at the same institution. He is a 1979 graduate of the Detroit College of Law.



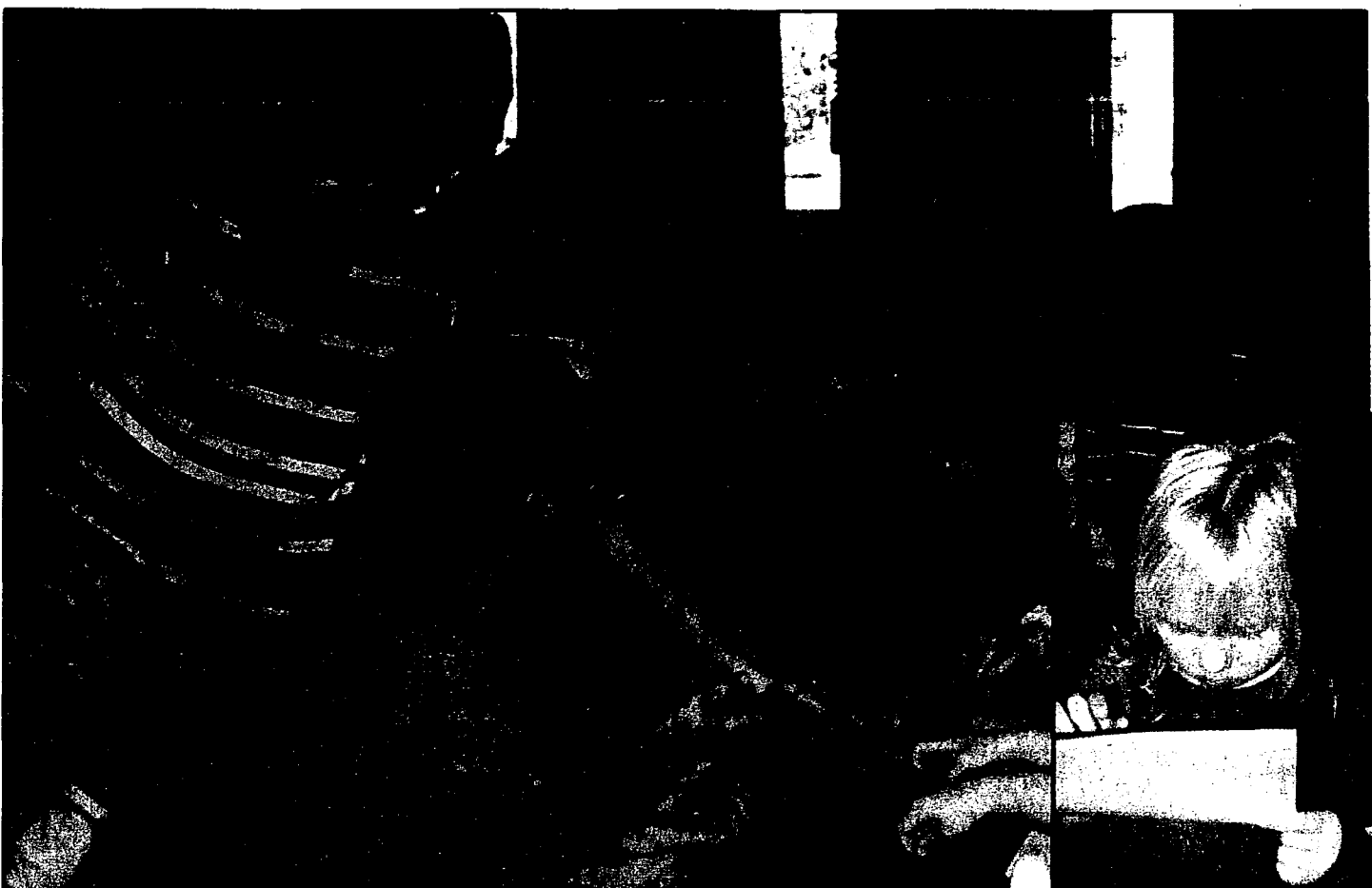
Geoffrey Fieger
Democrat

In his professional life, Fieger is the president of Fieger, Fieger and Schwartz PC in Southfield.

Fieger has received endorsements from: the United Auto Workers (UAW) Michigan Education Association, Michigan Trial Lawyers Association, Michigan Federation of Teachers, Michigan State Firefighters Union, American Federation of Government Employees, American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, Communications Workers of America, Service

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So, you want to run a newspaper...



THE OLD-FASHIONED WAY - These first grade students visited *The Avalanche* in order to learn how a newspaper is put together. The kids got to write their names using old type and then followed the modern newspaper-making method from beginning to end. Mrs. Brunell (top left) and *Avalanche* General Manager Linda Golnick (top right) help the kids find the letters in order to spell their names, while Michael Jozwiak and Dustine Becks work on the lettering. At right is Morgan Lepsy who is hard at work proofreading the finished product.

Photos by Cheryl Ruley

County requests five acres for new animal shelter

by Cheryl Ruley
Staff Writer

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners recently agreed to apply to the State of Michigan in order to convey five acres of land for the purposes of building a new animal shelter.

The land is situated in the south-east portion of the Crawford County Fairground parcel, behind the athletic fields.

The property will be obtained

under a public use deed and contain a reverter clause. That clause allows that the property would be returned to the County if at any time the animal shelter ceases to operate on the premises.

The County will lease the land to the Animal Shelter of Crawford County for 99 years at a cost of \$1 per year. The land can only be used for the purposes of a public county animal shelter.

Included in the lease is an indemnification clause from the Animal Shelter of Crawford County, releasing the county of any liability.

Construction of the new shelter should begin next spring.

Animal Shelter Director, Dixie Lobsinger said, "I've fought for a new location for the shelter for 13 years. This has been a long time coming and I'm glad the issue is finally settled."

Because of the property being set

so far back off of Old 27, Lobsinger says her only concern is who will manage plowing the long drive way in the winter.

"I don't want to sound ungrateful, but the thought of carrying an injured animal through knee or waist-high snow to reach the shelter door isn't too appealing."

Lobsinger said she is looking for help from Grayling Township or the public in this matter.

Go to the polls or vote by absentee ballot

- * Polls will be open in Crawford County from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, November 3.
- * Registered voters have until 4 p.m. on November 2 to apply in person for an absentee ballot at Grayling City Hall or with township clerks.
- * Voters are eligible to vote by absentee ballot if they expect to be out of their hometown on election day; are 60 years of age or older; are in jail awaiting trial or arraignment; cannot attend the polls for religious reasons; or are physically unable to go to the voting place without the assistance of another person.
- * Any other questions about absentee voting or where to vote should be directed to the city or township clerks.

Trick-or-treaters should use caution; Halloween parade route same

The City of Grayling Police Department recommends that Halloween trick-or-treating activity take place between the hours of 6 p.m. and 8 p.m. on Saturday, October 31.

Area residents are requested to leave porch lights and yard lights on in order to facilitate safety.

Area motorists are asked to be especially watchful for pedestrian activity during these hours.

Those participating in trick-or-treating are asked to wear light-colored clothing and face masks that do not restrict vision. Parents are urged

to accompany their little people.

The Crawford AuSable Elementary School Halloween Parade is scheduled for Friday, October 30, at 1 p.m., weather permitting.

The route will remain the same as in previous years. The parade will begin at the Elementary School and will circle through the Mercy Hospital parking lot onto Michigan Avenue. The parade will then proceed down the sidewalk of Michigan Avenue. The younger students ages five to seven will be returned by school bus.

May I take your order, please?



Photo by Cheryl Ruley

PUBLIC SERVANTS - Stevens' Family Circle Restaurant was the scene of last week's Celebrity Luncheon to benefit Habitat for Humanity. Dr. Carolyn DiPonio gets ready to serve up a sundae as County Clerk Sandra Moore carries the soup. For the whole story and more photos, see Page 3A.

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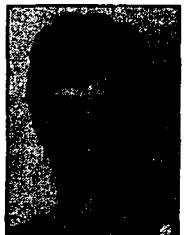
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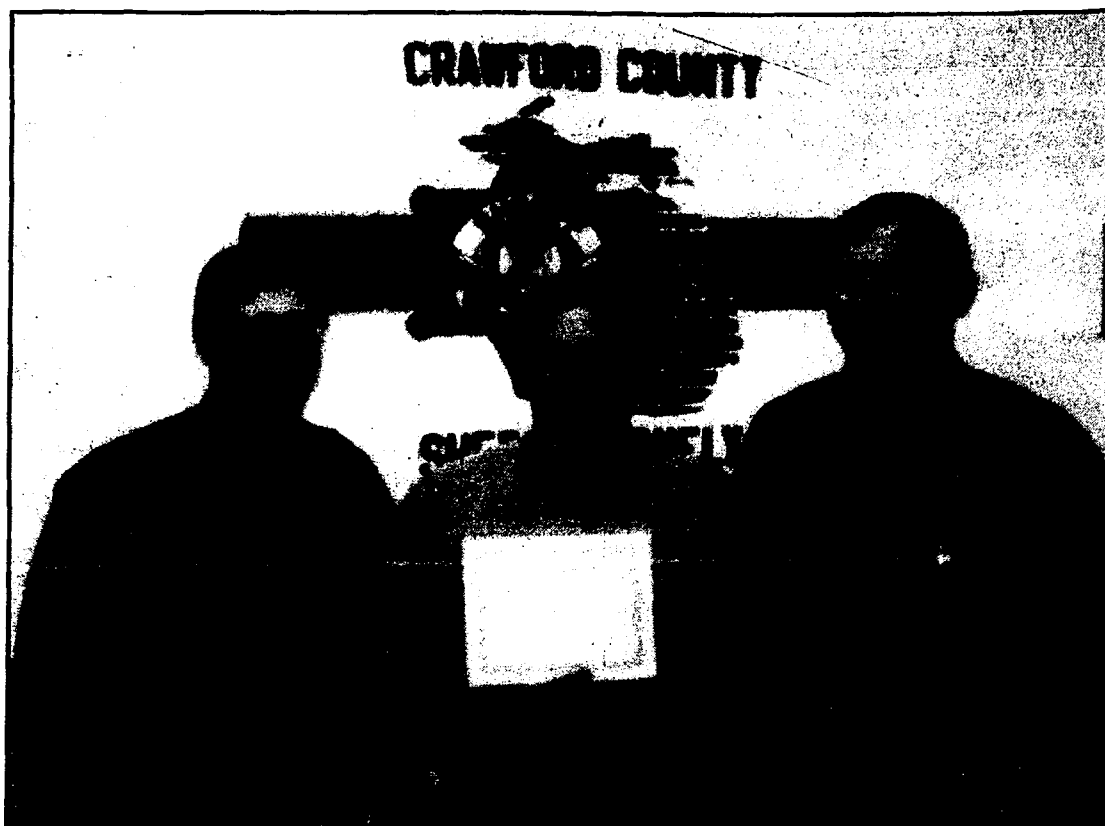


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Elect Elizabeth H. Wieland County Commissioner District 5



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SPECIAL EFFORT - Scott Hanson (center) was recognized recently by the Michigan Sheriff's Association (MSA) for his commitment and dedication to the youth of Michigan and the MSA through his contributions as Site Manager to the 1998 *About Face Program*, held last summer at Camp Grayling. Crawford County Sheriff David Lovely (left) and Camp Commander Colonel Gary McConnell (right) were on hand for the presentation.

Engler or Fieger?

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Employees International Union, United Steel Workers of America, Coleman Young Democratic Club, Ecumenical Ministers Alliance, Pilots Association, Postal Workers, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Wayne County Executive Ed McNamara, and state House Speaker Curtis Hertel.

When Fieger was asked about his top professional accomplishment, the long-time legal counsel for Dr. Jack Kevorkian replied, "I'm considered a very good trial attorney."

Fieger said that his number one priority, if elected, would be: "Repairing the public education system after eight years of Engler ripping it apart."

The candidate also said, "Our liberty depends on our willingness to defend the rights of those who cannot defend themselves. If we do not defend the poor, if we do not defend the sick, if we do not defend the elderly, then we will all lose freedom."

Fisher Price recalls Power Wheels

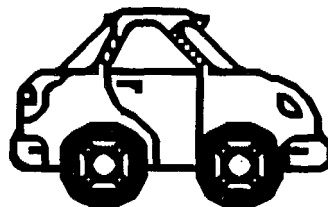
A popular brand of children's battery operated riding toys has been recalled by the Consumers Product Safety Commission.

Over 700 reports of problems with the Fisher Price brand *Power Wheels* toys prompted the recall by the commission and the manufacturer of the ride-on vehicles.

At least nine children have received minor burns due to a malfunction of the motor that resulted in about instances of fire, melting plastic, and/or smoke.

About 150 fires have been reported.

Models included in the recall are the Barbie Jeep, Big Jake and



Extreme Machines.

Parents are being advised by the safety commission to discontinue the use of the toy and to unplug the battery immediately.

Fisher Price is providing a toll-free number for parents to call regarding free repair and how to obtain it.

That number is 1-800-977-7860.

What the polls are saying this week:

A recent *Detroit News* poll taken between October 19-23, a random telephone poll of 600 likely voters, shows Engler leading Fieger by 32% of the vote. Fieger leads the polls in Detroit, especially among black voters.

The poll also reveals strong support among non-union households for Engler, while union households are split between the two candidates.

Surprising to some may be that 31% of Democrats said they

would vote for Engler, with 57% of respondents saying they'll vote for Fieger.

Only 5% of Republicans said they'd cross party lines and vote for Fieger and 93% said they'll cast their ballot for Engler.

About 65% of Independents favor Engler, with 23% favoring Fieger.

Whatever your choice of candidates or thoughts on the three ballot proposal to be decided on November 3, get out and vote.

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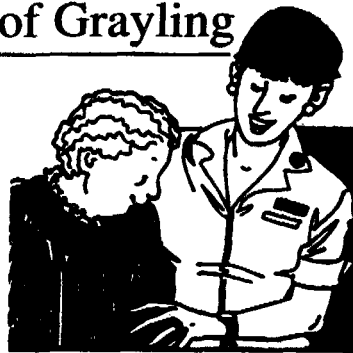
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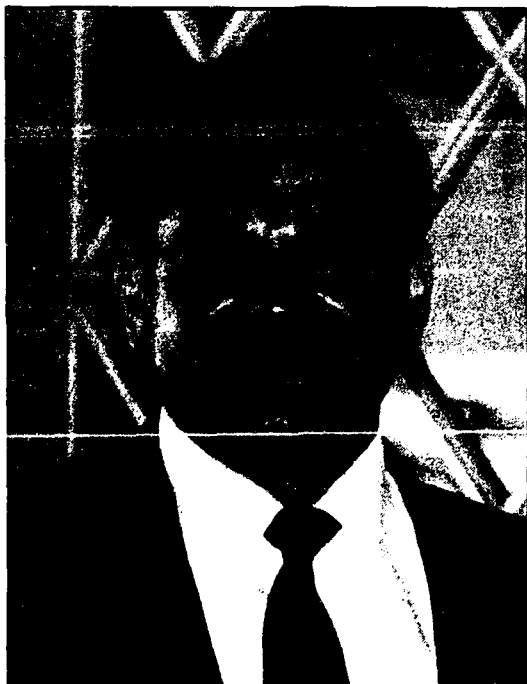
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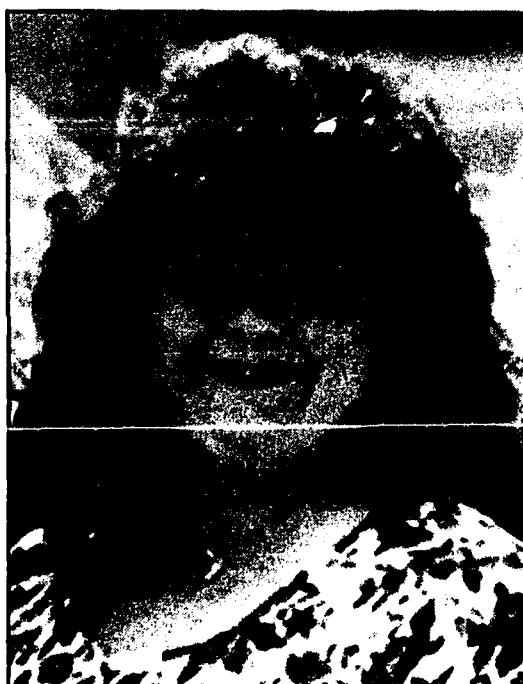
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Districts 1, 4, and 6 Candidates are uncontested.

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Habitat Celebrity Luncheon – a fun time for all

Submitted by Barb Brooks
Fund Development Chairperson

Celebrity waiters Terry Wright, Allen Lowe, Ken Bradstreet, Carolyn DiPonio and Sandy Moore hustled to keep pace as a steady stream of folks came into Stevens Family Circle Restaurant on Friday for the Habitat celebrity fundraiser luncheon.

Most folks were hungry and some were curious to see State Representative Allen Lowe and Grayling Township Supervisor Terry Wright behind the counter, taking orders and delivering meals

to the customers' tables. With a little help from the regular wait staff, they took orders, served up soup, sandwiches and sodas, and bussed tables.

One celebrity waiter took a short break, wiped his brow and said, "I don't think I could do this for a living!"

Meanwhile, Habitat volunteer Melody Barrett, the first recipient of a Habitat house in Crawford County, was hustling as well, selling tickets for the pie raffle which took place every fifteen minutes.

"I have a good strong voice," she

told Naomi Holysko, president of Habitat, which she proved as she called off the numbers while folks dined, chatted and enjoyed the fun atmosphere.

Bill Zadorski, seated on a stool at the counter with numerous raffle tickets lined up in front of him, anxiously waited for one of his ticket numbers to be called. His patience and investment finally paid off and he walked out with two pies under his arm.

"I ordered a BLT," said one customer sharing a booth with her friends. "I got the B and the L, but didn't get the T." They all burst out laughing and then put several more dollars on the table for the pie raffle.

Proceeds from the fundraiser will be used entirely for the building of the third Habitat house being built in Crawford County this Fall. "The foundation is being poured as we speak," stated Dave Wyman, chairman of the building and construction committee. Habitat is actually ahead of their projected schedule and will be able to build two houses



Photos by Cheryl Ruley

SERVICE WITH A SMILE – Crawford County Clerk/Register of Deeds Sandra Moore donated a few hours out of her busy day to help raise money for Habitat for Humanity. All of her tips, as well as the others', went to Habitat.

this year.

Habitat's housing ministry is supported through local fundraisers, such as this one, donations, in-kind labor and materials, and lots of volunteer help from the community.

Applications are still being accepted until October 31. Those interested may write to Crawford County Habitat for Humanity, P.O. Box 1046, Grayling, MI 49738.



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Gosnell named 1998 Woman of the Year



Photo by Cheryl Ruley

GPA's 1998 Woman of the Year
Marianne Gosnell

by Cheryl Ruley
Staff Writer

The Grayling Promotional Association (GPA) announced on Thursday, October 22, that Marianne Gosnell was their choice for 1998 Woman of the Year by a panel of three past Women of the Year.

The announcement was made to the crowd attending a Business After Hours function hosted by the GPA at the Holiday Inn in Grayling.

"I don't know what to say except Thank you, thank you, thank you," said Gosnell, nearly speechless.

Gosnell was chosen for her dedication to the greater Grayling community and service to its citizens through involvement in various service activities.

Not only is she the current President of the GPA and a member of several committees, she is also the United Way Auction Coordinator.

GPA presented Gosnell with a plaque and a framed copy of a poem written just for her.

Gosnell has many talents, including singing, handbell chiming, and gardening.

Get out and vote
on
November 3

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★ Silent Auction 6 pm - 8:30 pm ★

★ Live Auction Begins at 7 pm ★

★ Watch for large ad of auction items in next week's Avalanche

★ Sorry no credit cards this year

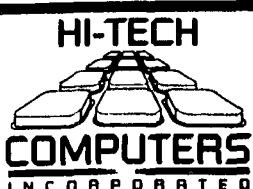
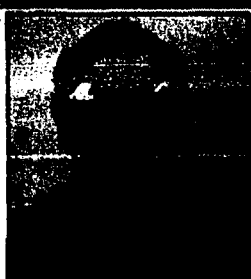
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ISSUES AND OPINIONS



ALMANACK

by Richard Milliman

Politics grows increasingly curious

THE 1998 POLITICAL campaign in Michigan has been one of the strangest this writer has observed in the 50 years or so he has been observing Michigan elections.

The outcome in the top race seems fore-ordained. Republican Gov. John Engler has enjoyed a huge lead in the polls right from the start, and should wind up with about 60 percent of the vote.

His Democratic opponent, Geoffrey Fieger, was not supposed to be there in the first place. Since his primary upset win, he has spent much of his limited campaign time trying to undo what he has done and said in past years.

But he's resourceful if outrageous. Fieger voters, he says, are hidden voters who will surface on election day. That's not the way it usually works.

THE ENGLER CAMP spends more money and effort damning Mr. Fieger than praising Mr. Engler. Generic Republican campaigns tie Mr. Fieger to Democratic candidates for everything since Jefferson and Jackson. Will that tactic win?

Some voters harbor genuine fear that somehow Mr. Fieger could pull it out. His visible support comes from down-the-line Democrats, Engler-haters, political gadflies and rebels.

Will that be enough? Probably not. Meanwhile, some Democrats have outright disowned Mr. Fieger, some withhold endorsement, others offer only limp support.

All in all, it's not a rosy picture for Geoffrey Fieger. A point to keep in mind is that he won only 293, 138 votes in the Democratic primary, which is far, far short of the million-plus the Nov.

3 winner will need.

BELOW THE RACE for governor, things are curious, too.

The lieutenant governor candidates are invisible, which probably is what lieutenant governor candidates should be.

The hottest contest is for attorney general, which at times gets a bit rowdy.

The strong-willed governor couldn't bring his favored candidate aboard, and defiant Republicans named John Smietanka instead. Democrats countered with Jennifer Granholm, who has proved to be an articulate and attractive candidate.

The race is tight. Ms. Granholm has a solid chance to win, even in what looks like an overall Republican year. Gov. Engler obviously knows Michigan politics pretty well after all.

Secretary of State usually is a keenly sought office, but the Democratic candidate rarely raises her head in this campaign, giving incumbent Republican Candice Miller practically a clear field.

Whatever happened to Mary Lou Parks anyway? Where has she been since Democrats nominated her? If she was going to disappear so quickly and so completely, why was she nominated? Yes, a strange year.

OUTSIDE OF THE governor's job, arguably the most important elections will be for three members of the Michigan Supreme Court.

The candidates are raising money and spending it. Going into the home stretch, the court cam-

paigns have been downright civil so far. Considering the stakes and recent campaign history, that's sort of odd in itself.

Two judges running for the State Court of Appeals sought contributions early in the year, and when nobody filed to run against them, they started sending money back to the donors. That perhaps has been the most curious part of all this year.

The parties chose two candidates each for the various university governing boards and the state board of education. Some lack college degrees, which seems a bit odd for university policy makers. One board candidate, nominated at Mr. Fieger's post-primary Democratic convention, called on him to get out of the governor's race.

Mud flies every which way in legislative and congressional campaigns, which is getting to be par for the course. What ever happened to civility in public service?

Then there's the national scene, which may have quite an impact in Michigan as in other states. Talk about strange events: What's going on in Washington defies sanity.

Added all together, campaign 1998 has been strange.

It could cause an Alice in Wonderland character to mutter that politics grows curiously and curiously every time around.

Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.

LETTERS TO THE

EDITOR

"He's no sportsman" says one reader

To the editor,

The *Random House College Dictionary's* definition for "hunt" is: "to chase or search for (game or other wild animals) for the purpose of catching or killing."

Hunting has nothing to do with luring wildlife in with Twinkies, corn beads or carrots and then slaughtering them.

So, when I open the paper and see someone with a big grin of accomplishment on his face, standing over a dead bear he lured in with Twinkies, I wonder what it is he thinks he accomplished. He's certainly no sportsman.

Pam Holzman
Grayling

Criminal's plea bargain is no bargain to victim

To the editor,

Is there "Justice for All" when a plea bargain is made? The defendant gets a reduced sentence, the Prosecutor gets a conviction, and the taxpayers are spared the expense of a court trial.

This may be a great alternative to court trials in some cases, perhaps cases where the defendant has never been in trouble with the law, and has no criminal record.

What about plea bargains for individuals with previous criminal records? Perhaps a misdemeanor or two? Do they still deserve a break if they commit another crime? How about a felony record? Give them a break, too? How about two felonies on a criminal record? Should they be offered a "deal", on another crime? Another felony? Well, it just happened, and I was the victim.

On October 5, a certain person agreed to plea guilty to a five-year felony (Aggravated Stalking) if he could be guaranteed that he would not go to jail or prison.

He was given his plea bargain, and sentenced to 36 months of probation. He terrorized me and my family for over a year, and took his criminal record back to court on another felony charge, bargained his way out of jail.

The judge did "tighten the leash" on his probation, keeping him confined to his home with the exception

of work. He is to remain off the road on which he used to reside as my neighbor, and is to have somebody else move his possessions out of that residence.

He is to have someone else do his errands and shopping. To leave his home for any reason other than work is a violation of probation, which will put him back in the courtroom and hopefully into prison.

But, how will this be supervised? A few calls to check in on him? Trust that he is where he's supposed to be? I don't believe he will abide by this order and I don't believe he has been. I will continue to watch and I hope others will also.

Where is the "Justice for All" in a plea bargain? It's not always there for the victim, nor is it always there for the community. A plea bargain may be a great way to go for some first-time offenders, but giving someone with prior felony convictions a break just puts them back into our community to commit another crime, or violate another person's rights.

I ask for help from the community to see that if this probation is violated, the proper authorities are notified... so maybe then justice can be served and my family can be at peace.

Denise M. Cincial
Grayling

VIEWPOINT

by Harold L. "Butch" Miller

Voting is everyone's responsibility

On November 3 I will be 1,500 miles from my home in Woodbridge, VA. Still my voice will be heard because my absentee ballot is in the mail. I have never missed voting in an election since I became eligible to vote. I do it because it is my choice.

As Election Day 1998 draws near, I wonder where the majority of American voters will be. Statistics show me they won't be at the polls. That's a disgrace.

During a span of 28 years, the number of Americans of voting age has increased more than 77 million, while the number of voters has grown by just 26 million. It doesn't take a math professor to calculate

that more Americans are failing to exercise the one right, the one responsibility, that sets us apart from so many other nations -- the right to freely vote for the candidates of our choice.

What is the compelling reason why Americans are not going to the polls? There is none. The biggest reason given for not voting: Too busy and no time off top the list at 21.5 percent in statistics compiled by the U.S. Census Bureau. Couple that with 13 percent who dislike the candidates and 16.6 percent who just don't have an interest, and we're faced with an epidemic of voter malaise.

There is no magic pill to stop this

epidemic. Yet there is a place to start -- with you. Voting is essential if America is to remain strong and free. If you vote, encourage others to vote. If you are a non-voter, it's time to accept your responsibility. For our representative democracy to work well, your voice and vote are needed.

I recently was driving to my home from our nation's capital. Along the way, I passed the memorials dedicated to veterans of the Vietnam and Korean wars and the site where the World War II memorial will be built. The highway took me past Arlington National Cemetery and the memorial that honors America's women veterans.

I thought about the meaning of their sacrifices, and offered a prayer of thanksgiving for living in a nation as great as ours. Then, when I got home, I completed my absentee ballot.

My vote will be counted. I will never forego exercising my right to vote, a right preserved for you and for me by those who gave something more than a vote -- they gave their lives.

Give election workers a big challenge on November 3: Vote!

Harold Miller is the National Commander of The American Legion.

Smock responds to McMillan's accusations

To the editor,

First of all, Jim McMillan, thanks for referring to me as Bobby Smock. Recently turning 50, it's great to be referred to as a kid.

Secondly, the facts presented in my political ad of October 14, 1998 were accurate. Those numbers came from the Crawford County Register of Deeds Office and represented actual recorded deeds.

Losing Rayburn's Lodge on the AuSable, Truettner's Lodge on the AuSable South Branch, MacArthur's Lodge on the Upper AuSable and William's Lodge on the Upper AuSable, with other smaller pieces, represented a loss of

private property between 1985 through 1997 of 5,200 acres.

In addition, extreme efforts were made by the State to purchase Nash Kemp and High Banks Lodge on the AuSable North Branch. It was a pleasure on my part to fight the sale of those properties and win.

I like you, Jim McMillan, but I think you took a cheap shot at an expensive Crawford County problem.

Crawford County has lost hundreds of thousands of dollars in tax base and countless economic development opportunities due to our number one problem: Too much public land.

Many county residents are working in jobs that pay \$6 to \$8.50 an hour while attempting to pay for health insurance, an automobile, a house and trying to raise a family.

We need light industry and manufacturing jobs that pay \$10 to \$15 an hour. Maybe you haven't suffered because of the public land issue, but many others have and still are.

With respect to the specific sale of Rayburn Lodge and properties -- it was an 11th hour deal, late one Friday afternoon, between the State and a local bank in a downtown attorney's office.

Property that Rayburn sold for \$550,000 to an out-of-town business, was purchased for \$1.2 million by the state without a clue of what it would do with it. This deal took place just hours before the property was to go on sale to the public at the courthouse on Saturday morning.

That precious, fragile river property was a landmark in this county. You know it and I know it -- the deal should have never been done. The manner in which it was done leaves the door open to second guessing state policy.

With cooperation and communication from the State of Michigan, Rayburns, Truettners, MacArthurs, and Williams could have all been spared in Crawford County. The state had no intended use for any of these properties nor operating expenses to maintain them.

When I think of the private property, timber and mineral rights usurped from Crawford County by

the State of Michigan, with little or no benefit for the people of this county... that upsets me. Throw in the low employee wages associated with tourism and recreation, along with the expanded coverage expected by the State of Michigan of the Crawford County Sheriff's Department, I have to ask out loud: Where is the level playing field? The state should bend over backwards to "make up" for the longstanding inequities over the past 50 years.

Adding insult to injury, our 34% tax base pays for schools, city county and six townships services, plus four other quasi-units of government: Public Transit, Road Commission, two housing departments and Grayling Recreation Authority. Its a miracle and an outrage at the same time.

Let us try to finish on an upbeat note. Most appreciate what the state is attempting to do with potential sales of state land south of Grayling, as well as other deals you say are in the works. It has been a long wait.

May the future be as promising as you suggest regarding many more sales of public land. I like to think that our potentially great county stands at the threshold of measured economic growth, new opportunities and better paying jobs, while protecting our natural resources... particularly the rivers and adjoining properties.

Robert Smock
Grayling

Historically Speaking



Photo courtesy of Wesley Smith

PRANKSTERS -- Quite common in days gone by was the Halloween prank of tipping over the outhouses of unsuspecting neighbors and friends. This picture was taken sometime in the 1940's. Anyone recognizing themselves or others performing this dastardly deed should contact *The Avalanche* to finally bring the scoundrels to justice by way of public humiliation.

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COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS

Thanksgiving dinner volunteers to meet

The Crawford AuSable Thanksgiving Committee (C.A.T.C.) will meet on Thursday, October 29, at 6:30 p.m., in the fellowship hall of St. John Lutheran Church on Spruce Street, in Grayling. Anyone interested in helping the committee with any aspect of the 5th Annual Community Thanksgiving Dinner, to be held November 26, from 12 noon to 3 p.m., at the Knights of Columbus Hall, is asked to attend this meeting or to call Therese Kaiser at 348-7651 or 348-1340. Volunteers are needed for planning, preparation, set-up and delivery of meals.

Lions' Lucky 13 winner announced

The Grayling Lions' Lucky 13 winner for week #4 is Darlene Varvis of Grayling. Varvis won \$100.

Grayling men's breakfast planned

The Grayling Men of Integrity will hold a men's breakfast on Saturday, October 31, at 8 a.m., in the Grayling Assembly of God Church house. A freewill donation will be received. For more information, please call Lyle Studer at 348-5325.

Michelson to hold Thursday luncheon

Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church will hold a soup, sandwich, salad, and dessert luncheon on Thursday, November 5, from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. All you can eat for only \$4.50 per person. Take out is available. All are welcome.

Junior Miss Pageant meeting planned

Junior Miss Pageant Director Sandra Moore will meet with junior girls at Grayling High School on November 2. Moore will explain the qualifications and dedication required to be a participant. Those girls interested in the pageant can sign up and meet again for a more formal orientation on November 5.

Tabernacle plans Hallelujah Fun Night

The Burning Bush Tabernacle, located at 501 E. Michigan Avenue in Grayling, will present their second annual *Hallelujah Fun Night* on Saturday, October 31, from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. There will be candy, games, food and activities for all. At 9 p.m., *Carmen*, live via satellite, will be shown on a large screen television in the sanctuary. All are invited and encouraged to attend. For more information, call the church at 348-1278.

Retired federal employees to meet

The local chapter of the National Association of Retired Federal Employees (NARFE), Chapter 2305, will meet on Thursday, November 5, at Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church, 400 Michigan Avenue in Grayling. Lunch will be at 11:30 a.m., with the business meeting starting at approximately 12:15 p.m. For more information, contact Rudy Martinez at 348-5326.

Club to discuss ornamental grasses

The Master Gardeners Society will meet at 7 p.m. on Monday, November 9, at the Lyon Township Hall. A discussion on *Ornamental Grasses* will be led by Cheryl Rice, a member of the Kirtland Garden Club. All Master Gardeners are invited as well as anyone in the community who is interested in the topic. You need not have been a part of the Master Gardening program to attend. Refreshments will be served and questions answered. For additional information, call Barb, President, at (517) 275-5832.

Red Cross offers premarital class

The American Red Cross Northern Lower Michigan Chapter will present a *Premarital Health Counseling* class, a pre-requisite to obtaining a marriage license in the State of Michigan. Class will be held at 5:30 p.m. on November 5, at 810 S. Otsego, Suite 111, Gaylord, MI 49735. Cost is \$25 per couple. Special session can be scheduled if the class time does not suit your needs. Fee for a special session is \$40. For registration or more information, please call (517) 732-7161 or 1-800-691-6059.

Michelson to host Roast Beef Dinner

There will be a Roast Beef Dinner at Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church, 400 Michigan Avenue, Grayling, on Wednesday, October 28, from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Cost is \$6 for adults and \$3 for children. Take out orders are welcome.

Church to treat 'trick-or-treaters' again

This Halloween, Grayling Baptist Church will once again be offering free hot dogs, coffee, hot chocolate and popcorn to trick-or-treaters. The church members will set up at 200 Fulton Street (near Madsen Avenue) on Saturday, October 31. Stop by while trick-or-treating, between 6 p.m. and 8 p.m., and treat yourself to a hot dog, cocoa and a bag of popcorn.

Band Boosters to hold spaghetti supper

The Grayling Viking Band Boosters will host a Spaghetti Supper on Saturday, November 14, from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., at the Grayling Middle School. Cost is \$5 per person; ages 5 and under are free. Family price is \$20. Freshly baked pies will be available for \$6 each.

Red Cross plans two blood drives in county

There will be a Crawford County Red Cross blood drive at Grayling High School on Wednesday, November 4, from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Also, a blood drive will be held on Thursday, November 5, at the Frederic Elementary School, from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

According to the Red Cross, only four percent of the population donates blood. But when the need for blood arises, 100% expect blood to be there.

To donate blood you must be 17 years of age, weigh at least 110 pounds, and be in good health. Seniors are welcome. If you have any questions, nurses will be available to answer them.

At the September blood drive there were 85 donors. These persons donated for the first time: Anthony Saladine, Jason Wilhelm, Ruth O'Mara, Susan Smith, Maurice Michael, and John McCleod.

Gallon pins were given to Richard Mansfield - two gallon; Barbara Wade - four gallon; John Keir - five gallon; Joseph Rozenek - 10 gallon; Robert Bovee - 13 gallon.



GHS Players to present musical - Anything Goes

Once again, the Grayling High School Players are busy working on a production to entertain the community.

This year's musical is *Anything Goes*. With music and lyrics written by the Cole Porter, this show will certainly be a crowd pleaser.

Anything Goes is a romantic comedy that takes place shipboard in the early 1940's.

Staff members involved in producing this event are: Andrea Binert, Director; Karen Ross, Vocal Music Director; Dennis Ormsbee and David Gott, Pit Band Conductors; Mark Binert, Set

Design; Larry Wilson, Set Construction; Melanie Ross, Choreographer; Erika Aumock, Staff Accompanist; Ilesa Bordeaux, Patrons and Donations; Marti Gosling and Bonnie French, Costumes and Props; Debra Stevens, Make-up.

The show will be held November 19-21.

Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$4 for senior citizens and students.

The show is part of the "Learning Through Music Series" and opening night tickets purchased through the series will be honored at the door.

Grayling Garden Club presents workshop on African Violets

For African Violet enthusiasts and for those who are timid about growing these sweet blooming house plants, Don Geiss, of Frederic, will demonstrate the use of his fail safe wick-watering system and give tips on the care and feeding of violets at the Grayling Garden Club meeting slated for Thursday, November 5th.

One of the biggest problems for indoor plant growers is the inability to determine the amount of water a plant needs, not only to survive but to thrive. The wick draws up just enough water into the soil to keep it moist so the plant doesn't drown or dry out.

"African Violets also need to develop a good root system," says Geiss, "and they should become rootbound before being transplanted to larger pots. A tiny pot will often house a large plant until it gets tippy. Then you can go to the next largest

pot."

Larry Ostrowski, newly elected president of the garden club (formerly known as Beyond the Garden Wall Club) says plans have been initiated to have more educational workshops, tours, plant exchanges with members and sharing of information with other clubs.

Garden club members meet the first Thursday of the month at 7 p.m. at Michelson Memorial Church in the lower level. Guests are most welcome.

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THURS 29	•TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) @ Mercy Hospital Riverside Room, 5 pm. For more information call Joanne 348-4416. •GRAYLING ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETING @ Grayling City Hall, 8pm. Call John W. 348-1776 or Marsh S. 348-1307 for more information. •REFORMATION DAY -noon- October 31, 1517. (original date) Reformation Day celebration 6:00 p.m. Grayling Assembly of God Church. Call 348-8885 for more information. •THANKSGIVING DINNER VOLUNTEERS TO MEET - The Crawford AuSable Thanksgiving Committee (C.A.T.C.) will meet on Thursday at 6:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall of St. John Lutheran Church on Spruce St., in Grayling. All are welcome. Anyone interested in helping with the Thanksgiving Dinner call Therese Kaiser at 348-7651 or 348-1340.
FRI 30	•GRAYLING ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETING @ St. Mary's Catholic Church, 12 noon & 8 pm. Call John W. 348-1776 or Marsh S. 348-1307 for more information.
SAT 31	•HAVE A SAFE AND HAPPY HALLOWEEN!!
SUN 1	•GRAYLING ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETING @ St. Francis Episcopal Church, 8 pm. Call John W. 348-1776 or Marsh S. 348-1307 for more information. •ATTEND THE CHURCH of your choice today.
MON 2	•KIWANIS CLUB meeting @ Shoppenagon's Inn, 12 noon. •GRAYLING ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETING @ St. Mary's Catholic Church, 12 noon & 8 pm @ Frederic Township Hall. Call John W. 348-1776 or Marsh S. 348-1307 for more information.
TUES 3	•CPA MEETING @ Iron Gate Restaurant, 12 noon •GRAYLING ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETING @ St. Mary's Catholic Church, 8 pm. Call John W. 348-1776 or Marsh S. 348-1307 for more information. •AUSABLE RIVER CANOE MARATHON joint meeting @ Mt. AuSable Restaurant, 7:00 p.m. •ADHD PARENT'S SUPPORT GROUP MEETING @ 615 S. Elm, Gaylord, 7:00 p.m. Call (517) 732-3529 for more information. •REGULAR MEETING OF NORTH CENTRAL AREA CHAPTER #19, State Employees Retirees Association, will be held Tuesday, Nov. 3rd at the Houghton Lake Community Building, beginning at 2p.m. all retired state employees and their spouses are encouraged to attend
WED 4	•ROTARY MEETING @ Patti's Towne House, 12 noon. •WEIGHT WATCHER'S meeting @ St. Francis Episcopal Church, M-72 West; weigh-in 4:45 pm; meeting, 5:30 pm. For more information call Mary, 348-5306. •GRAYLING ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETING @ St. Mary's Catholic Church, 12 noon. Call John W. 348-1776 or Marsh S. 348-1307 for more information. •AUSABLE QUILT GUILD meeting @ St. John's Church, 10 a.m.

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The Bible Speaks Is Sex Sin Excusable?

(James 2:10) "For whosoever shall keep the whole law, and yet offend in one point, he is guilty of all." This is the teaching of the Old Testament. (Deuteronomy 27:26) "Cursed be he that confirmeth not all the words of this law to do them. And all the people shall say, Amen." Our Lord Jesus Christ said: (Matthew 5:19) "Whosoever therefore shall break one of these least commandments, and shall teach men so, he shall be called the least in the kingdom of heaven; but whosoever shall do and teach them, the same shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven."

God judged Israel's sex sin in the wilderness with death. (1 Corinthians 10:8) "Neither let us commit fornication, as some of them committed, and fell in one day three and twenty thousand." Fornication including homosexuality brought death and damnation. (Jude 1:7) "Even as Sodom and Gomorrah, and the cities about them in like manner, giving themselves over to fornication, and going after strange flesh, are set forth for an example, suffering the vengeance of eternal fire." Fornication corrupts the body. (1 Corinthians 6:18) "Flee fornication. Every sin that a man doeth is without the body; but he that committeth fornication sinneth against his own body."

Fornication is forbidden for Christians. (Ephesians 5:3) "But fornication, and all uncleanness, or covetousness, let it not be once named among you, as becometh saints;" God gave marriage to avoid fornication. (1 Corinthians 7:2) "Nevertheless, to avoid fornication, let every man have his own wife, and let every woman have her own husband."

Adultery or fornication is a sin against the person of God who created us to keep His marriage covenant. Sex sin is a sin against the person of God who created us to keep His marriage covenant. Sex sin is against God's person breaking His first commandment. As David confessed before God his sex sin with Bathsheba, (Psalms 51:4) "Against thee, thee only, have I sinned, and done this evil in thy sight..." Sex sin is a sin against the image of God in man breaking God's second commandment. Sex sin by a professing Christian is against the name of God, breaking the third commandment. Sex sin violates our use of God's time breaking God's fourth commandment. Sex sin brings dishonor upon parents and ancestors breaking the fifth commandment. Sex sin leads to murder as women abort their unwanted babies breaking God's sixth commandment. "Sex sin is a direct violation of God's

seventh commandment showing disregard for God's plan and purpose for sex. Sex sin steals individual virtue, robs a mate of marital fidelity, and robs the home of security, breaking the eighth commandment. Sex sin is a lie which breaks the ninth commandment causing more lies to be multiplied to cover sex shame. Sex sin breaks the tenth commandment by promoting the lust of coveting. (Exodus 20:17) "Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's wife." (James 2:10) "For whosoever shall keep the whole law, and yet offend in one point, he is guilty of all." (Galatians 6:7-8) "Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap. [8] For he that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting." "Pastor B"

Please pray for the ministry of this column and our church Websites at <http://freeway.net/~cba/> and at <http://www.geocities.com/Heartland/Ranch/1263/>

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Donor names on way to Gift of Life Registry

Secretary of State Candice S. Miller announced today that more than 200 people have already used the Department of State's new Organ and Tissue Donor Registry Enrollment Brochure to add their names to the Gift of Life Agency's donor registry.

The names of those individuals are being forwarded by the Department of State to the Gift of Life Agency in Ann Arbor this week.

"The new donor registry enrollment program is just the latest example of our commitment to promoting and encouraging organ donation," Secretary Miller said today. "With more than 2,400 Michigan residents awaiting organ donation, it is important that we help identify those individuals who want to be donors."

Secretary Miller said this program is particularly important given that Michigan is 20 percent below the national average for organ donation, ranking a discouraging 45th out of 50 states.

Under the donor registry enrollment program, the Secretary of State's office has developed an enrollment brochure that includes a postage-paid donor registry postcard that is available in all 178 branch offices.

Customers interested in adding their name to the donor registry, complete the information on the postcard, and drop it in the mail. The postcards are scanned into a database that captures the name and address of the customer. The database also includes a digitized image of the card, which contains the person's signature.

The information is then placed on CD-ROM and mailed to Gift of Life.

"Now that the process is underway, we will be forwarding names to the Gift of Life Agency on a regular basis," Secretary Miller added. "Our goal is to enhance

this program to make it as convenient as possible to add a name to the organ donor registry."

Secretary Miller said this will be accomplished by sending the donor registry enrollment card to all motorists along with their new Michigan driver license.

For more than 20 years the Secretary of State's office has supported organ donation by providing information with driver licenses and state I.D. cards as well as in branch offices.

The new Michigan driver license makes it even easier to designate organ donor wishes by providing a space on the back of the license and card where residents can write their wishes.

The Gift of Life Agency is the state's only certified, full-service organ recovery organization.

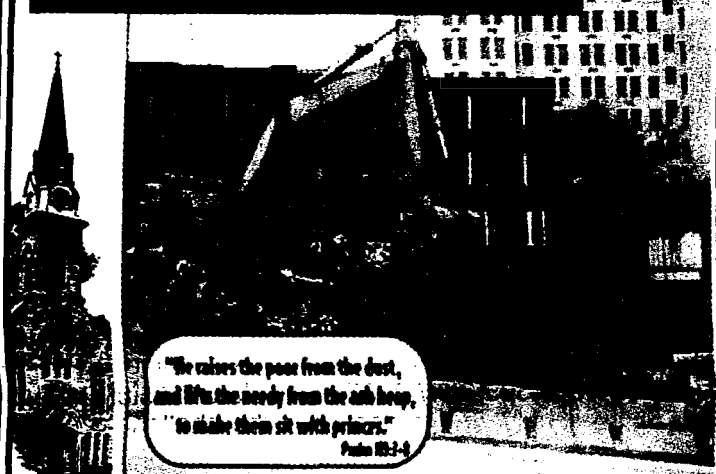
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There is little left here to retrieve from these skeletal ruins of a once proud city landmark. After the fire, however, some long time residents viewed forgotten architectural elements and decorative features which had been covered during various remodelings. Out of the ashes, the stately and elegant era of a bygone time was memorialized.

Do you ever feel that perhaps your life is a shambles...that there is little left that is beautiful? Ask God to reveal the beauty of the spirit that is within you which has been covered with pain and sin. Your Heavenly Father has not forgotten the quality within you, after all, He created you.

Visit God's House this week and worship Him. He is waiting to lift you from the ashes.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Zephaniah 7:1-14	Zephaniah 8:1-23	Psalms 73	Psalms 75	Psalms 76	Psalms 82	Psalms 146

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LETTERS ABOUT COUNTY BOARD CANDIDATES

As a lifelong resident of Crawford County I am very interested in a county board that will do their job of representing us reasonably, intelligently and capably. As a business owner, I know how important it is to be able to work with credible and reliable office holders who have the best interests of their constituents at heart.

I have every confidence that **Beth Wieland** and **Scott Hanson** will perform the duties of county commissioner responsibly and with dedication. I know them to be honest and fair minded.

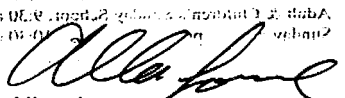
The image and behavior of people we elect to local offices says a lot about our county and ourselves. Consequently, I believe **Scott Hanson** in District 2 and **Beth Wieland** in District 5 are the best candidates because they will do a first rate job of representing all of their constituents and will provide the type of leadership that will represent our county and make us proud.


Curt Jansen

Because Crawford County is my home, I am interested in local officials who will do a good job in county government. My experience in government as your state representative has led to my understanding that citizens elected to office who have the respect of their constituents and colleagues are best able to do the job they were elected to.

Whatever the issues are now and may be in the future, the people we elect and trust to represent us are very important to the process of public policy formation and decision making. I have endorsed **Scott M. Hanson** for county commissioner because I know Scott will make wise decisions based on information and common sense.

Scott Hanson is a man we can all depend on to do a good job and make us proud. Only three of the six seats on the county board are contested. The candidates in districts 1, 4, and 6 are unopposed. Voters in District 2 have a very fine candidate and an excellent choice in **Scott M. Hanson**. I ask that you vote for Scott Hanson in District 2, so our county board will be comprised of men and women who will work together and for you.


Allen Lowe

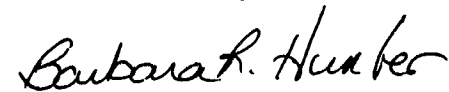
In the November 3rd elections, residents of Crawford County will influence the community with the election of their county commissioners. As a former county employee and now a local business woman, I strongly urge those residents in the 5th district to vote for **Elizabeth Wieland** as County Commissioner. Mrs. Wieland has not only the knowledge of the workings of county government, but is also a woman of integrity, determination and fairness.


Ann Stephenson

I have lived, worked and raised a family in Crawford County for the past 20 years. I am writing to ask the voters in county commission District 2 to vote for a candidate who can best represent the future of our county. I have known **Scott Hanson** for many years. He is a person who will work for our county now and in the future.

I have known **Scott Hanson** through his employment with the National Guard and through his being on the Board of Directors of the Grayling Youth Booster Club. His dedication to the community through these organizations will carry forward to the benefit of all citizens of Crawford County if he is elected to the Board of Commissioner's seat. His fairness, even temperament and organizational skills will be an asset to us all. He is bright, hard working and dedicated. I hope other residents of District 2 will join me in voting for **Scott Hanson** on November 3rd.

With the help of **Scott Hanson** the county board will work together to resolve the issues that matter to us all. I am very optimistic about the good choices we have in this election. We will all have reason to be confident about the future of our county with the election of **Scott Hanson**.


Barbara Hunter

I am writing to ask the voters in county commission districts 2 and 3 and 5 to vote for candidates who represent the future of our county. (The races in Districts 1, 4 and 6 are uncontested.)

I believe **Scott Hanson** of District 2, (Beaver Creek Township and part of Grayling Township), **Shelley Pinkelman** of District 3, (Frederic, Lovells and Maple Forest Townships) and **Beth Wieland** of District 5, (Another part of Grayling Township), are people who will work together for our county now and in the future.

With the election of **Hanson, Pinkelman** and **Wieland** there will be a balance of men and women, and a bipartisan component to our county board that will bode well for the resolution of issues that matter to all of us. Each of these individuals are well informed, will listen and not become confused about what really matters.

I am thankful about the first rate candidates we have in this election. I am confident votes for **Hanson, Pinkelman** and **Wieland** will help to elect a County Board that works for you.


James E. Tobin

I have known **Scott Hanson** for fifteen years. I have worked with **Scott Hanson** on the Grayling Youth Booster Club. He is very sincere, very honest and very capable working on behalf of the kids of Crawford County.

I know he can handle the job as commissioner in District 2 and will appreciate your vote on Tuesday.


Irving McIsaac

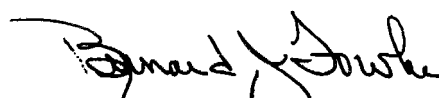
Like many Crawford County citizens I continue to be deeply concerned about the many problems facing our governmental units. In particular the financial status of our county government rates high on the list.

It is nearing election time and I am pleased to see the new candidates seeking the office of County Commissioner. Yes, we need a New Direction in county government.

One of these candidates is **Elizabeth H. Wieland**, former Grayling Township Clerk and former Crawford County Clerk. She deserves a share of the credit for keeping the township financially sound, a position it still holds today.

Over the years I found her to be responsible, straight forward, honest, reliable and thorough. She is a team person who keeps herself informed on subjects related to her work.

I urge the voters in Commission District 5 to elect **Elizabeth H. Wieland**, a proven highly skilled and self motivated public servant as your representative on the County Board of Commissioners.


Bernard J. Fowler

I have decided to endorse **Scott Hanson** for county commissioner in the district neighboring the one I serve. We not only share boundaries, but the belief it is important that your county board provide basic services within balanced budgets.

We are very fortunate to have a candidate, whom everyone can respect, running for county commissioner in District 2. **Scott Hanson** is that candidate because he is the kind of individual who ought to be in public office.

He will work effectively and well with others. He knows what it means to be in a position of public trust and is ready to do his job as county commissioner responsibly and competently. **Scott Hanson** is committed to focusing his attention on issues.

I ask the voters in this election to elect a county board that will work well together and work for you. That board, with the support of voters in District 2, will include **Scott M. Hanson**. Your vote for **Scott Hanson** will elect a county commissioner who will be effective and merit your respect.


Lynette S. Corlew

We urge you to support **Scott Hanson** (District 2) **Shelley Pinkelman** (District 3) and **Beth Wieland** (District 5).


Bob and Fay Bovee

Having worked with **Beth Wieland** for several years, she as the County Clerk and myself as a Crawford County Commissioner, then as a District Representative for State Senators **Pridnia** and **George McManus**, I always knew her word was her bond.

She is very organized, knowledgeable and fair.

Having **Elizabeth Wieland** as part of the Crawford County Board of Commissioners for 1999, would be the cog to unify this community.


Jeannette Kitchen

I encourage those who are voters in District 5 to vote for a competent no-nonsense individual. If you truly want a new direction and someone with real integrity, I urge you to support **Beth Wieland** when you vote on November 3rd.


Kathy Edwards

On November 3rd, the voters of Crawford County will be given the chance to elect a new County Board of Commissioners that is committed to working together as a team, in order to solve the financial and management crisis currently facing our county government. It is time that we, as citizens of this county, expect and demand common sense in dealing with the problems that face us.


There are so many important issues facing Crawford County, that many would find them overwhelming. Issues like our economic development, controlled growth and fiscal responsibility, which will surely determine how well we are able to handle other areas of need within Crawford County. We desperately need to create a master plan for the entire county, so we can meet the challenges of the next century. It's time to breathe new life into Crawford County. Without a master plan to shape the future, we will never meet the challenges facing us today. We also have to coordinate the efforts between government and special interest groups if we are to see the results we desire. These groups include labor, business, churches, schools, foundations and civic organizations as well as government agencies. But the goals must very specific and tangible if they are to be attained. There must be a plan. Our master plan must reflect the interests and priorities of the citizens of Crawford County and the programs that are implemented must, at the same time, help the county survive and maintain the quality of life we desire. I want to ensure that my daughter has the same great place to raise her family that I have enjoyed as a lifelong resident of this county. I want to know that my grandchildren will have that too. Through economic development and fiscal responsibility, we can ensure our children's dreams for a bright future.

Currently our county budget will not support a road patrol after midnight. To allow this to continue is to invite disaster. This issue is just one of many. If we don't start to face our problems and make some important changes, we will leave our children a legacy of regret.

Many of you know me, and know what I have always given to this community through my work with the Grayling Youth Booster Club and other civic activities. I hope you'll give me a chance to show you what I can do for our county by electing me Commissioner.


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New alliance aims to improve mental healthcare

North Central Community Health, serving Crawford, Missaukee, Roscommon and Wexford counties, has joined six other community mental health programs to assure access to mental health services to residents throughout northern Michigan.

The affiliation is in response to a federal waiver granted by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Health Care Financing Administration in June 1998.

The waiver, the first of its kind in the nation, allows the Michigan Department of Community Health to contract with community mental health service programs to provide medically necessary and appropriate mental health, substance abuse and long-term developmental disability services and supports under a pre-paid, shared-risk arrangement.

"The regional alliance, which will affect 21 counties, was created to conform to the managed care initia-

tive at the state level. The Department of Community Health has encouraged affiliations among agencies to improve access and service delivery, improve outcomes, and share and control costs," said Gregory D. Paffhouse, Chief Executive Officer of North Central Community Mental Health.

The six other programs participating in the regional affiliation include Great Lakes Community Mental Health, Antrim Kalkaska Community Mental Health Services, Manistee-Benzie Community Mental Health Services, AuSable Valley Community Mental Health Services, Northern Michigan Community Mental Health and Northeast Michigan Community Mental Health.

Under the managed care agreement, the member agencies will adhere to strict performance objectives with regard to:

- Ensuring access to necessary services and supports,
- Eliminating inappropriate utilization,

• Encouraging consumer and family involvement in the planning and implementation of services,

• Consolidating administrative functions,

• Measuring and improving quality based upon outcome measures and consumer satisfaction.

According to Paffhouse, affiliation members are committed to providing good managed care, one that is locally managed, is consumer-driven, sensitive to local needs, improves access, improves outcomes, and controls cost. An objective is to provide the right service, to the right person, at the right time.

"We believe our alliance will help us succeed in the managed care environment and especially should help ensure that necessary services and supports are available and provided to all eligible persons in the 21 northern Michigan counties," he said.

The seven agencies have been working together for several years and expect full implementation of the new system in October 1998.

Medical coalition to set goals

The newly formed Coalition of Insured Medical Consumers (CIMC) held their second organizational meeting October 21 in Charlevoix.

Senior managers of 30 area employers, representing over 15,000 employees and family members, united to discuss the goals and the plans for the organization.

Northern Michigan employers expressed frustration and anger regarding the actions and impasse between Burns Clinic and Blue Cross/Blue Shield. CIMC determined the interest of the medical consumer and premium payer needs to be represented with one strong mind and one strong voice.

The coalition agreed the primary goal of the organization was achieving a settlement of the situation between the clinic and the insurer while satisfying the demands of the membership.

In an effort to achieve the primary goal of resolution, CIMC will organize a round table discussion at meeting of the membership and will invite senior executives from

Burns Clinic, Phycor, Northern Michigan Hospital, Burns Clinic Physicians, Independent Physicians, and Blue Cross/Blue Shield to address the forum. It is anticipated that each person will have the opportunity to address the membership, and then be available to answer questions. The time and place of the meeting has yet to be determined.

While the primary goal of CIMC is to facilitate settlement, the group will review and possibly implement secondary goals. Specifically, the group will contact employers in other communities covered by the service area, and invite those organizations to join the coalition.

In addition, contingency plans will be put into place to contact other national insurance providers and other clinical organizations to invite those organizations into the area to service members of the coalition.

CIMC was formed two weeks ago by eight area companies in reaction to the situation between Burns Clinic and Blue Cross/Blue Shield.

New Medical Director at NMHC

Kevin T. Denlinger, D.O., Mercy Primary Care Associates, is the new Medical Director of Kirtland Community College's Nurse Managed Health Center (NMHC). He takes over from Dr. Douglas Slater, M.D., Mercy Primary Care Associates, who has taken on additional duties with the medical group.

Dr. Denlinger said, "I am impressed with the Center's focus on providing health maintenance and disease prevention for the entire family, and I am particularly supportive of its endeavors to increase women's access to preventive health care in the form of cervical and breast screening. Preventative health care for women is an important part of maintaining a healthy, active life style."

Dr. Denlinger graduated from Ohio University College of Osteopathic Medicine with his Family Practice Residency at Grandview Hospital and Medical Center in Dayton, Ohio. He presently resides with his wife and three children in the Roscommon area and is practicing at Mercy Primary Care Associates in Prudenville.

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Unemployment agency will shut down and update for year 2000

Unemployed workers will get an "out of service" message for three days in mid-November when they phone the computer system the state uses to certify claimants for jobless benefits.

"Our MARVIN system and, in

fact, our entire unemployment benefit computer system will be down on November 11, 12 and 13 as we implement changes to make the system Year 2000 compliant," Jack Wheatley, acting Unemployment Agency (UA), said.

MARVIN is an automated interactive voice response system that unemployment claimants phone to certify that they are still unemployed and meet the necessary requirements to receive benefits. The UA requires the certification before it will issue an unemployment check.

"Normally, we schedule claimants to call MARVIN on Mondays, Tuesdays or Wednesdays with Thursdays and Fridays as backup days," Wheatley explained, "but during the week of November 9 through 13, the system will not accept calls on Wednesday through Friday. As a result, we are asking claimants to phone MARVIN on Monday or Tuesday, November 9 and 10, anytime between 8 a.m. and 7 p.m."

The agency will mail all claimants a certification form that they can complete and return to their local Unemployment Agency office in the event they do not call MARVIN on either November 9 or 10. The agency must receive the paper certification by Monday, November 16, to be considered timely.

The agency is also notifying all claimants of the three-day system shutdown with messages on all unemployment checks authorized from October 1-30.

The UA will be one of the first government agencies in Michigan to make its computer system Year 2000 compliant. The transition will take about five days to complete.

"By starting the transition on the Veterans Day Holiday and running through that weekend, the computer down time will be least disruptive to our customers," Wheatley noted.

NMHC offers services to uninsured women

Kirtland's Nurse Managed Health Center has been funded to provide free pelvic examinations and mammograms when indicated to women 18 to 39 years of age who do not have health care insurance or who are under-insured.

The funds are provided by the Mercy Health Services North Initiative for the Poor Program.

Kirtland also continues to provide free pelvic examinations and mammograms for women 40 to 65 years of age who qualify as part of the Women's Breast and Cervical Cancer Screening through the Public Health Department of Ogemaw County.

The Center also provides care of acute chronic illnesses, such as respiratory disorders, gynecological disorders, and ear and throat infections; health maintenance services, such as nutritional counseling, routine physical exams, and family planning; and personal health management services, such as education and counseling in AIDS awareness, parenting skills, and health risk management.

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Box elder bugs may enter home in fall

Everybody's heard that old joke about what's black and white and red (read) all over. It's even less funny than usual when the answer is large numbers of box elder bugs in your house.

Box elder bugs are those 1/2-inch long, dark brown to black insects with three red lines behind the head and red lines on wings edged with white that often migrate into buildings in the fall.

They enter homes through small openings in or near the foundation, around doors and windows and chimneys and under siding and shingles. They don't do any damage indoors - they don't feed on anything there or bite people or pets, or reproduce - so they're strictly a nuisance pest. But people are rarely thrilled to have them as houseguests, especially when they turn up by the dozens or even by the hundreds.

Box elder bugs are usually associated with female (seed-bearing) box elder trees, and they're more common during dry summers than wet. Removing the trees may help but the adults can fly a considerable distance from the host plant to find

a suitable overwintering spot.

A better solution is to seal up the gaps that the bugs use to get inside. Caulk, screen, fill in or repair as needed to close the bug doors.

Insects that find their way indoors can be dispatched with a vacuum cleaner or flyswatter. Be sure to dispose of the vacuum cleaner bag outdoors immediately so any bugs that survived the trip through the machine don't simply crawl out again. Spraying with an indoor household insecticide is another option.

Outdoors, piles of old leaves, lumber, rocks and other debris provide hiding places for box elder bugs. Cleaning these up may reduce the chances of large congregations forming near the foundation. When insects do gather, you can kill them with hot water (165 to 180 degrees F).

Adults that find suitable overwintering spots will mate next spring and lay eggs. When the eggs hatch, the bright red nymphs feed by sucking plant juices. They mature into adults in midsummer. These second-generation adults are the ones that invade homes in the fall.

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Horizon Video chain converts to Blockbuster®

Traverse City-based Horizon Video has signed franchise agreements with Blockbuster and will begin converting its stores to the Blockbuster brand before the end of the year. Horizon Video also plans to open additional Blockbuster stores within the next 15 months.

According to David Scheppe, president of the Traverse City-based chain, the conversion to Blockbuster will give his company the advantages of being associated with the world

leader in the home video market.

"As a Blockbuster franchisee, we will have tremendous resources backing us, like Blockbuster's extensive advertising, purchasing power and distribution program, as well as the company's training, marketing and point-of-sale systems," said Scheppe. "And that means I will be able to offer my customers more from their neighborhood video store."

Jeff Seeberger, Blockbuster vice

president of franchise development, called the new franchise agreements an exciting opportunity for Blockbuster, Horizon Video and customers.

"With these agreements, Blockbuster gains access to a new market, the owners of Horizon Video receive the backing of the power of an international brand, and customers receive the benefits of Blockbuster membership along with the same great service they've grown to expect from the Schepes," said Seeberger.

Blockbuster's name recognition was an important factor to the Schepes in deciding to franchise their stores. Because many of the stores are located in resort areas, the chain will now have a brand name that's familiar to out-of-town customers, according to David Scheppe. In addition, visitors will have the added convenience of being able to use their existing Blockbuster membership card for their video rentals.

"We believe this conversion to Blockbuster is an exciting step forward for us and our customers," said David Scheppe.

Also, Blockbuster has recently begun accepting franchisees for both new and existing stores as part of the company's growth plan.

"We're looking for individuals who own and operate multiple retail units in a variety of industries," said Seeberger. "We are also talking to our current franchisees about expansion, and the door is open to conversion franchisees like the Schepes."

The Horizon Video chain has been owned and operated since 1983 by husband-and-wife team David and Kathy Scheppe. The chain experienced steady growth in northern Michigan with stores ranging in size from 2,000 to 7,000 square feet, each offering an average of 8,000 to 10,000 movie titles. The chain has approximately 150 employees.

Social Security direct deposits reach 75% in Michigan

Michigan ranks third nationwide for the number of Social Security recipients receiving their benefits through direct deposit, the electronic transfer of funds directly into a personal checking or savings account.

The Social Security Administration (SSA) is encouraging Social Security recipients who still receive their benefits by paper check to enroll for direct deposit.

As of July 25, 1996, all new Social Security recipients have been requested to receive their payments via direct deposit. The SSA is encouraging direct deposit to reduce costs and improve service to recipients.

According to The Payments Authority, a financial trade association that promotes electronic payments in Michigan, direct deposit offers:

- safety from lost, stolen or misplaced checks;
- fewer trips to the bank or credit union;
- same-day funds availability; and
- deposit of benefits even when out of town.

"There is no reason for recipients not to enroll," said Amy Smith, marketing director for The Payments

Authority. "Direct deposit is the most secure and convenient way to receive Social Security benefits."

"Michigan is ahead of the curve with 75 percent of its beneficiaries utilizing direct deposit," said Michael D. Johnson, director of payment and recovery policy for the SSA. "However, there is still work to be done with 25 percent of beneficiaries not using direct deposit."

The main reason recipients call the SSA is to report checks not received on schedule. Direct deposit ensures payments are received on time.

Despite government urging, 525,590 Social Security beneficiaries in Michigan still need to enroll for direct deposit of their benefits. The value of the payments sent to these individuals is \$5.5 billion annually. This number includes 122,005 individuals who receive needs-based benefits from the Supplementary Security Income program.

To enroll for direct deposit, beneficiaries can call the SSA at 1-800-772-1213 and supply their account number and the routing number of their financial institution, or they can ask their financial institution if it offers automatic enrollment at its branches.

Girl Scouts seek entries in cookie essay contest

The Mitten Bay Girl Scout Council is getting ready to kick-off its 1996 Cookie Sale Program. As part of their cookie promotion, the council is having an "I Love Girl Scout Cookies" essay contest.

Enter the Mitten Bay Girl Scout Cookie Sale Essay Contest and you could win a free variety pack of Girl Scout cookies.

The contest requires that entrants complete the following sentence with an additional 25 words or less: "I love Girl Scout Cookies because..."

Entries will be accepted in one of two age groups - under 12 years of age and age 12 and over.

Mail entries to: Mitten Bay Girl Scout Council, 5470 Davis Road, Saginaw, MI 48604, Attn: Public Relations. Don't forget to include your name, address, signature, and age on your entry.

Contest guidelines are: Only one entry per person. Entries must be postmarked no later than November 16, 1996. Essays become the sole property of Mitten Bay Girl Scout Council and may be used in future promotions. Judging based solely on creativity of essay and appropriateness of subject matter. Three (3) winners will be chosen from each age group.

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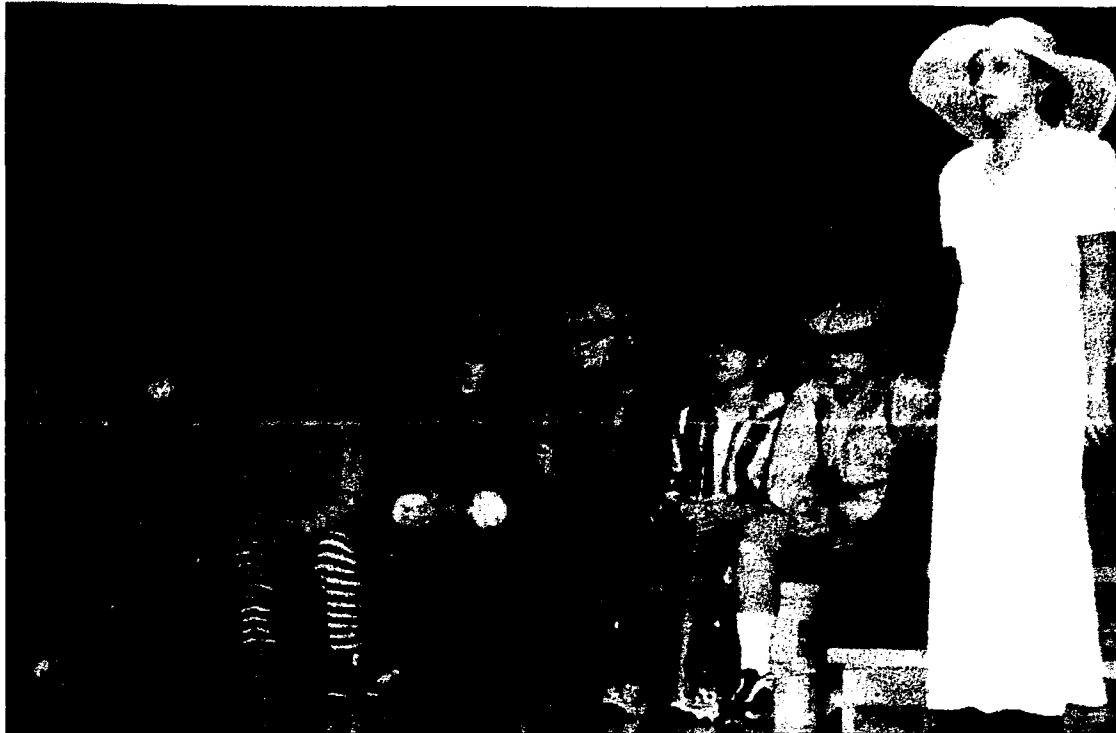
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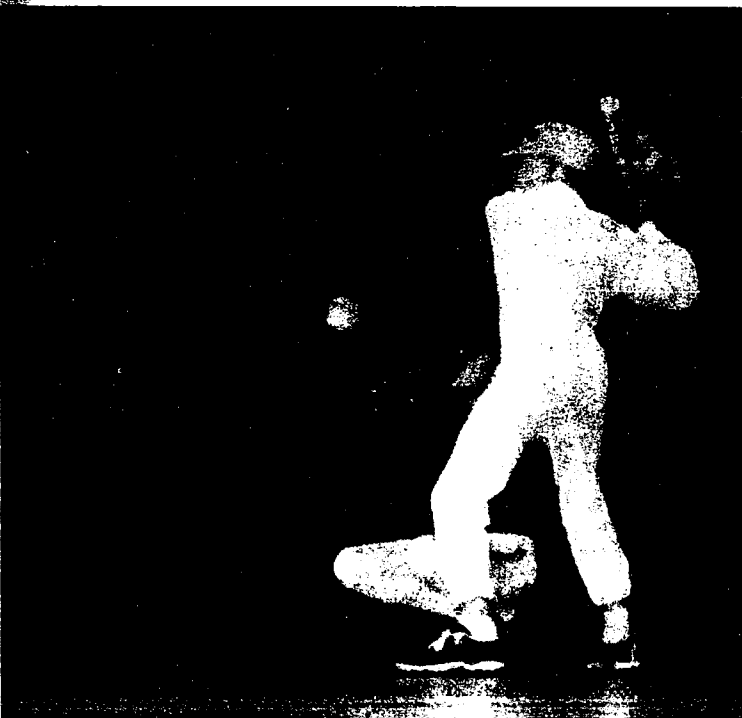
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BEANEATERS BASEBALL -- (right) Narrator Megan Madill continues the story of *Casey at the Bat*. In the background is the Boston Bean Eaters Baseball Team, played by (left to right) Jeff Phipps, Brent Gabriel, Joyce Guillen, Kyle Alexander, Alex McNamara, Ryan Davis and Jess Bobenmoyer. Grayling Middle School put on performances of *Casey at the Bat* on Friday, October 16, and Saturday, October 17, in the Joseph Stripe Auditorium at Grayling High School.



HOT DOGS FOR SALE -- Casey (played by Eric Hunter) talks with a hot dog vendor (Sarah Golnick).



Photos by Linda Golnick

BATTER UP -- The Mighty Casey (Hunter) steps up to the plate. Kyle Alexander is the Catcher, and Jennie Gibbons plays the Umpire.

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Color tour cancellation reveals poor rail conditions

by Amy Lee

Capital News Service

Lake State Railway Company acted appropriately when it canceled a 100-mile rail color tour scheduled for September, a national railroad expert says.

Parts of the track, which runs from Kawkawlin to Grayling, are "excepted," meaning the track is approved for freight travel but not passengers, said Warren Flatau, acting director of public affairs for the Federal Railroad Administration. "You can't have passengers anywhere on excepted track."

"Lake State still runs trains on the track daily, but only freight cars, some carrying hazardous materials," said Jim George, the company's executive vice president and chief financial officer. "Passenger trains have more stringent requirements because the trains go much faster," he said.

There are different restrictions regarding the transport of hazardous materials that fall under the freight category.

"The ties are failing and we didn't feel comfortable operating the train," said Richard VanBuskirk, president of the East Tawas-based company.

The Blue Water Michigan Chapter of the National Railway Historical Society had planned to cart 1,100 passengers on two, one-day trips from Kawkawlin, to Grayling,

October 4 and 5. The organization is based in Royal Oak.

But the agreement between the two groups was never formalized, said railroad officials. "We never finalized the trip with Blue Water," VanBuskirk said. "We never had a signed contract."

But Blue Water Michigan's Jim Baker, who works in Grayling, said the group had no reason to believe Lake State would cancel the tour. "They led us to believe it would be repaired before the color tour. Then, two weeks before the trip, they called and said they can't. I threw the brochure away, I was so mad."

"At home, the Crawford County Historical Society and local merchants were ironing out details for the tour, such as hiring shuttle buses to take pas-

sengers to six local antique dealers," said Barb Greene, who co-owns Grayling's AuSable Antiques and Dulcimers.

"We were actually worried about how we were going to accommodate all these people," Greene said. "It would've worked out really well."

"The train tour would have complemented the annual Antique Adventure shopping gala scheduled for the same weekend," Greene said.

The Crawford County Chamber of Commerce is refunding the \$39 train tickets, and administrative assistant Tina Hamilton said most tickets-holders are "showing great disappointment" when they pick up their refunds.

"We were already sold out for the Saturday trip," Hamilton said. "Everyone's very, very disappointed. It took us all by surprise."

Blue Water Michigan has lost from \$5,000 to \$6,000 on the failed tour, said President Frank Corley. Part of that cost was mailing 46,000 flyers advertising the tour to residents in Bay City, Midland and Saginaw who live near the tour's Kawkawlin starting point.

"It's a very nice route to run. It has a lot of nice scenery and Grayling's a nice place to visit," Corley said. "We haven't given up on trying to run that trip in the future."

VanBuskirk declined to say where or how much track maintenance crews must fix to ready it for passenger travel.

Other maintenance needs took precedence over the "excepted" track, George said. "The timing, to me, was more important," he said. "We needed to have the track fixed and updated before the snow comes."

Color tours are not a "great money-maker," and Lake State was worried passengers would sue if something went wrong, VanBuskirk said. "We live in an age of great liabilities. Nowadays if someone coughs then someone else gets sued."

"Income generator or not, the chamber of commerce is a tad gunshy about future color tours," Hamilton said. "We're not making any more plans until we know the track is fixed."

Minimizing your risk of fire from furnaces/wood burning stoves

by Linda DeMarchis, M.A., Health Educator

Q. As the weather turns cooler, we start using our furnaces and/or wood-burning stove. What should we do to minimize the risk of home fires?

A. Make sure your furnace, stove chimney are cleaned and checked each year before the heating season begins. This will help protect you from both fires and carbon monoxide poisoning.

Change your smoke detector bat-

teries. Check them by pressing the test button. Some smoke detectors are only made to last 5-7 years and should be checked frequently. If there are any doubts about the detectors workability, replace them and install new detectors.

Count how many smoke detectors you have. There should be one on each level and one outside of each bedroom.

Vacuum out smoke detectors to

remove any dust that can clog the sensor or wiring.

Test fire extinguisher. Have at least one in or near the kitchen.

Plan an escape route with at least two alternate routes. Teach the routes to children and practice them frequently.

Hold fire safety drills for the family. Practice what to do in various situations such as child's clothes catch on fire, wake to fire alarm,

smell of smoke, etc.

(The preceding information is suggested by the Children's Hospital of Michigan Trauma Center.)

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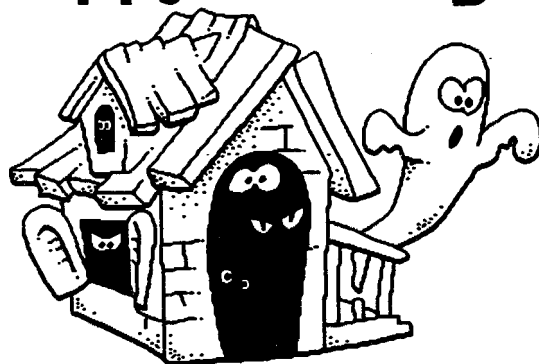
Safety tips for parents of trick-or-treaters

The cool autumn breezes are a gentle reminder that Halloween is just around the corner. To better ensure safety for your little "pumpkin," Consumers Energy offers some helpful reminders for parents on this ghoulish evening.

A well-lighted and clear path to your door is important if you're passing out treats. Leaving your porch light on will let children know they're welcome. A typical 100-watt lightbulb will cost less than four cents to operate for a four-hour period. In addition:

- Make sure your children trick-or-treat with an adult.
- Inspect all treats before your children eat them. Wash and cut fruit and discard anything that's unwrapped.
- Check candy wrappers for signs of tampering and call the police if you're suspicious of any treats.
- Make sure costumes fit well and that your child can see and be seen

Happy haunting



after dark.

• Instruct your children to trick-or-treat in your neighborhood and along well-lighted streets. It's best if they carry a flashlight and stay on sidewalks. If sidewalks aren't available, they should walk facing traffic.

• Know which friends your children will be with and which route

they plan to take.

Drivers are encouraged to use extra caution in residential areas and to turn on their headlights. Trick-or-treaters can often become distracted and sometimes fail to look both ways before

crossing the street.

"These safety tips should serve as reminders to families everywhere," said Carl L. English, vice president of electric transmission and distribution for the utility. "Halloween is a great time for treats, but unwanted tricks can be avoided by putting safety first."

Top ten list of 1998 Halloween costumes

Get ready. This year America's second biggest holiday, Halloween, falls on a Saturday, so the party is expected to be bigger than ever.

Who will be the hit of the Halloween parade? The Home Sewing Association predicts this year's top ten Halloween costume choices for kids and adults will be:

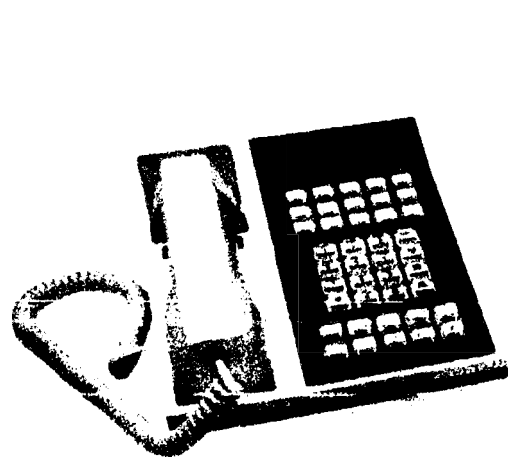
- Mulan
 - Zorro
 - Teletubbies
 - Beanie Babies
 - Toy Soldiers/ Military Men
 - Spice Girls
 - South Park characters
 - Cinderella
 - Titanic-era dresses
 - Mr. and Mrs. Potato Head
- Visit the Home Sewing Association's Web site at www.sewing.org.

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SENIOR PERSPECTIVE

Staying fit over 50!

by Kristine Clark, Ph.D., R.D.

Staying fit over the age of 50 can be a challenge, but according to fitness and medical experts, it can be the key to maintaining an independent, active lifestyle.

There are many reasons why people over 50 don't exercise. A national survey of people 50 and over conducted for the Knox Company found that the number one health reason Americans 50 and over don't exercise as much as they would like is joint stiffness.

"Clearly, joint tissues need to be addressed," said Jackie Berning, Ph.D., R.D., sports nutritionist for the University of Colorado. "Moderate exercise and stretching can help joints stay flexible. In addition, it can be helpful to look at nutritional solutions."

Not surprisingly, there is an increasing amount of research focusing on joint tissues. For example, researchers now say that gelatin can help keep joints flexible and mobile. Gelatin is the most highly concentrated natural source of the specific amino acids used by the body to build the cartilage needed for healthy joints.

As a result of this research, there is now a product available called Knox NutraJoint that helps maintain healthy joints. Knox NutraJoint contains the specific nutrients your body uses to rebuild joint cartilage and improve joint flexibility.

NutraJoint can be found in the gelatin section of the



supermarket or the vitamin/supplement section of a drug or discount store.

Here are five simple tips for starting or improving your fitness routine:

1. Do something: Remember that any form and any amount of exercise is better than no exercise.

2. Don't Get Tripped Up: Balance can decrease risk of falling. Strengthening leg muscles with strength training and improving your ankle flexibility can make it easier to keep your balance in check.

3. Taller and lighter: Standing up straight can not only make you look taller, but it can also make you look lighter. Strengthening the muscles of your back, stomach and shoulders may give you a few inches in height and take away a few pounds.

4. Hydration Helps: It is important to stay well hydrated at all times, but especially when you are

exercising. Try carrying a water bottle with you and drink while exercising to rehydrate.

5. Gain Does Not Mean Pain: Physical activity does not need to be painful to be beneficial. In most cases, exercising can enhance flexibility and may even decrease pain. In addition, a product like Knox NutraJoint that provides the joints with the supplemental nutrients the joint uses to rebuild cartilage and stay flexible may help.

Want to test your level of flexibility? A test is available in a free brochure that also includes more tips on how to stay fit. To receive a copy, call 1-800-KNOX-GEL or visit the Knox NutraJoint web site on the Internet at www.knoxgel.com.

Seniors like to have fun

On November 18, the Out-to-Lunch gang will be traveling to Vanderbilt and going to Granny's Kitchen for lunch, back to Gaylord for some shopping and then home. Cost for the trip is \$2.50 plus your lunch and milk money.

We will be serving our traditional Thanksgiving dinner in two sessions on November 24.

The first dinner is at 12 noon, and the second will be served at 5 p.m.

There will be dancing, with Tina Kennedy in between the two dinners.

Please call ahead for reservations and specify which dinner you will be attending.

Special price for the holiday meal will be \$2 for seniors and \$3.50 for juniors.

Senior Center announces Volunteer for November

Marilyn Perley is our November Volunteer of the month. Marilyn is relatively new to the volunteer game, with only three years under her hat, because had been working at a jewelry store.

Marilyn moved here from Port Huron 13 years ago. She has made herself very useful since her retirement and works very hard at whatever she is asked to do.

RSVP cards are a favorite and she joins other ladies, every week, in making all-occasion cards that are on sale at the Center. She works on craft shows, bake sales, stuffing envelopes and once a month on our senior Gazette assembly.

Memberships offered in MSO

Become an official member of Michigan Senior Olympics. All members receive a dated membership pin when they join and each year they renew. The MSO membership helps support the games, clinics, tournaments and the other good things MSO does.

Membership fees are only \$25 per year. Membership support enables MSO to get updated information to you about the games, rules, and other important issues. It defrays the cost of newsletters, results books and various other programs.

Michigan Senior Olympics is your organization. MSO cannot continually improve the games and service to you without your financial support. Take pride in MSO, become a member and wear your pin proudly! (By the way, MSO pins are becoming collector's items as the years go on!) For information, call (248) 656-0265.

Crawford County Commission on Aging

308 Lawndale Dr., Grayling, MI

NOVEMBER

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
2. 10:00 - Crafts 12:00 - Stag Cards 1:00 - RSVP Women 1:00 - Bridge Club 5:30 - "Hangman"	3. 10:00 - Exercises 11:00 - Line Dance 1:00 - Euchre Club 5:30 - Trivia	4. "Commodities" 9:30-10:30 At The Eagles 10:00 - Bible Study 12:30 - Stag Club 12:30 - "BK" Bingo	5. "Lucky 7" Casino Trip 9:00 - Adult Ed. Class	6. 1:00 - Pantry - Bingo Sunday Brunch 10 - 1 Western Oml. 8. RSVP Brunch 10-1 Pancakes
9. 10-2 - Share Sign Up 10:00 - Crafts 12:00 - Stag Cards 1:00 - RSVP Women 1:00 - Bridge Club 5:30 - "Hangman"	10. 9-1 - Surplus Food Eagles 10:00 - Exercises 11:00 - Line Dance 12:30 - Dance with Tina 5:30 - John Hunter on Living Wills	11. 10:00 - Bible Study 12:30 - Stag Club 12:30 - Birthday Luncheon RSVP - Auction	12. BP's Taken 11 to Noon 9:00 - Adult Ed. Class	13. 12:00 - Frederic Satellite 1:00 - Pantry - Bingo 15. 10-1 - Pancake Brunch
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Ambassadors needed for MSO

The Michigan Senior Olympics Ambassador Program (MSO) is growing.

MSO Ambassadors are volunteers who assist the state office with media coverage, promotion of MSO and more. MSO still needs Ambassadors for Crawford and Roscom-mon counties.

If you would like to become a part of this team or if you would like more information, please call Carrie at (248) 656-0265.

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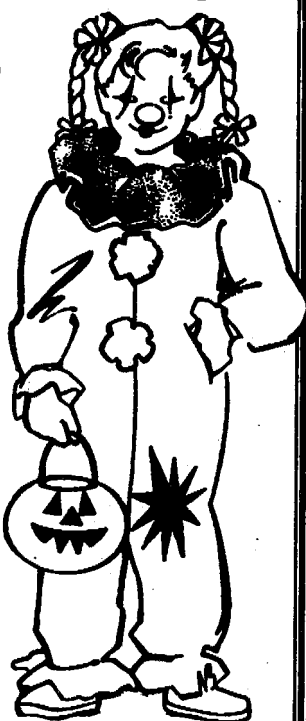
Free Halloween Treats Screening

Before your kids dig into their goodie bag, bring it to our X-ray department. Our staff will screen* the treats for pins, razors and other foreign objects.

Bring your treats to the Mercy Hospital Radiology Department Saturday, October 31 from 6 to 8 pm. You can keep your x-rays as a free souvenir.

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Lampinen and Fundum wed



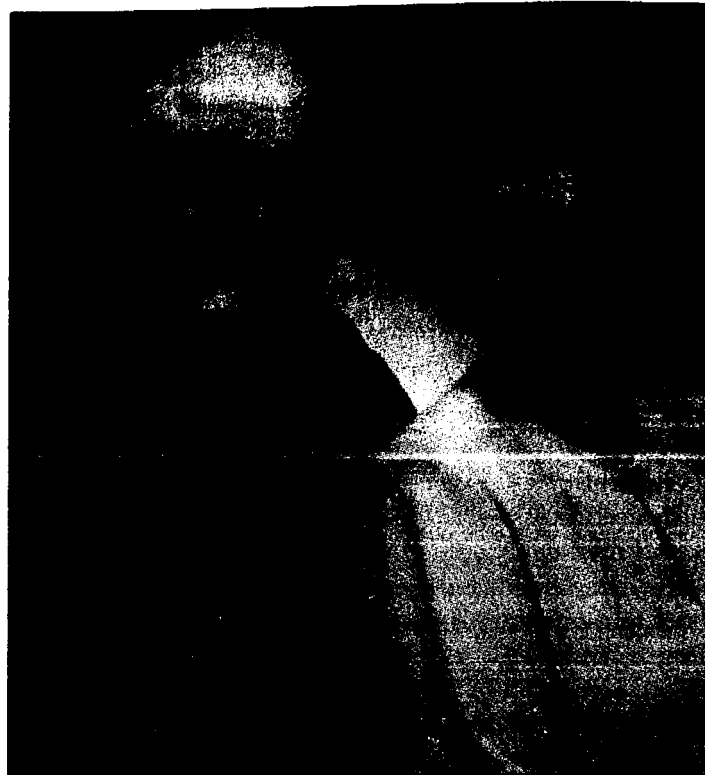
Marcy Lampinen, of Grayling, and Reverend James Fundum, of Roblin, Manitoba, Canada, were united in marriage June 6, 1998.

The divine service was held at S.S. Peter and Paul Lutheran Church in Hancock.

The groom is the pastor of St. Matthew's Lutheran Church in Roblin and Grace Lutheran in Zorra, Canada.

The bride was the pharmacist-manager at Glen's Pharmacy in Grayling prior to moving to Canada.

Smith and Schwalm wed



Jean L. Smith and David L. Schwalm would like to announce their marriage of September 26 at the Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church.

Rose Trombley, sister of the bride, was Matron of Honor, and John Len, brother of the bride, was Best Man.

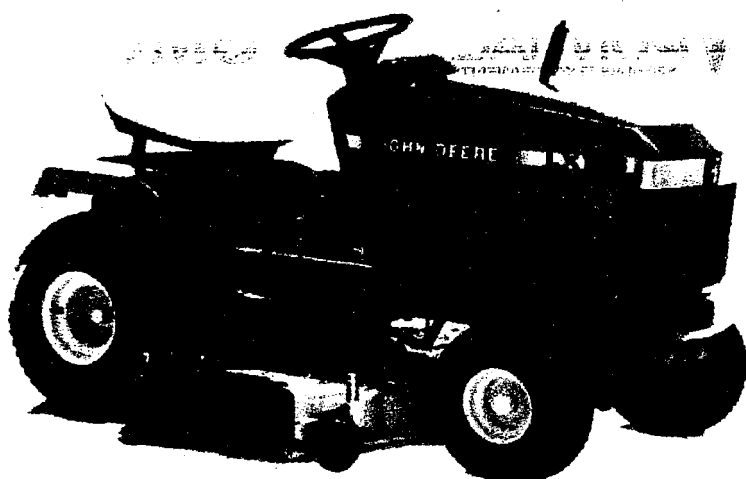
Jean is secretary to the superintendent of schools in

Grayling, and David is a physician assistant at Mercy Internal Medicine Associates in Grayling. He previously worked for Marquette General Hospital in Escanaba.

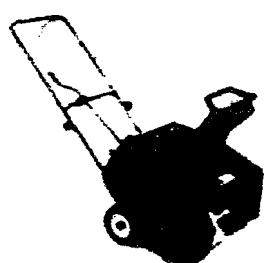
A reception was held at The Shoppenagon Inn after which the newlyweds honeymooned in Maine.

The couple will continue to reside in Grayling.

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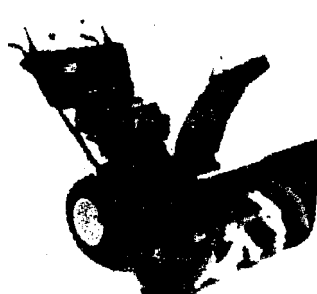
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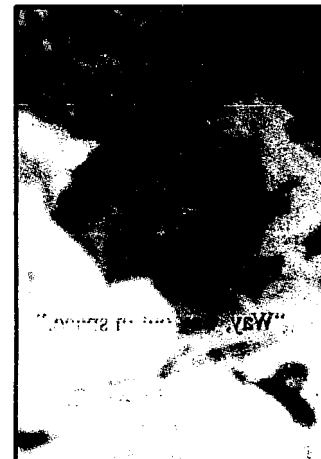


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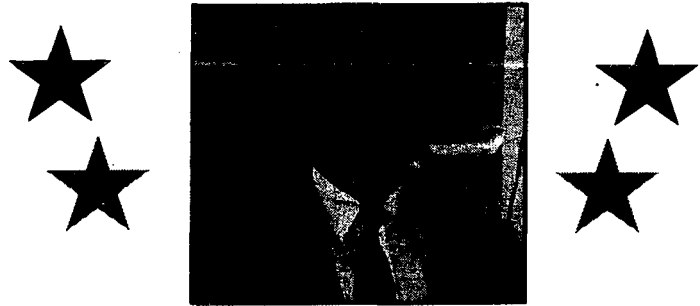
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SENIOR CITIZEN NEWS

by Jan Farley

Special thought for the week: The door to the room of success swings on the hinges of determination.

Your week ahead:

October 28th - Join us for some hot pool games; 30th - Pantry bingo at 1 p.m. Everyone is welcome over the age of 18.

November 1st - Sunday brunch from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. 2nd - Hangman at 5:30 p.m. 3rd - Surplus food at the Eagles from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and you can re-certify and pick your box up at the same time; euchre at 1 p.m. and trivia at 5:30 p.m. 4th - Commodities distributed at the Eagles from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. and "BK" bingo at 12:30 p.m. (Note the change of time.) 5th - Casino trip leaves at 9:30 a.m. 6th - Pantry bingo at 1 p.m. 8th - RSVP brunch from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. 9th - SHARE sign-up 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Center, and hangman at 5:30 p.m. 10th - First dance of the month with Tina at 12:30 p.m. (note change of time for the winter months); and Judge John Hunter will be here at 5:30 p.m. to speak on living wills,

power of attorneys, etc. 11th - Birthday luncheon and RSVP auction. 12th - BP's taken 11 a.m. to noon. 13th - Frederic satellite at noon and pantry bingo at 1 p.m. 15th - Pancake brunch from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Regular things are happening at the Center as well! We have bridge club every Monday and a euchre club every Tuesday. Both are open-ended so that anyone can come and play. Bridge is a little more dependent upon the number of people per table, so if you are alone, give us a call at 348-7123 so we can make up an extra table.

Just a reminder that our congregate meals are served at noon and 5 p.m. Monday through Thursday and lunch only on Friday. We have a fruit and vegetable salad bar on Tuesdays and soup is served on Monday and Wednesday. Please try to make a reservation, if you can, by calling 348-7123 or 1-888-355-4500.

October:

28 - Kielbasa Boiled Dinner/ Spaghetti & Meatballs
29 - Baked Ham/BBQ Beef Sandwich

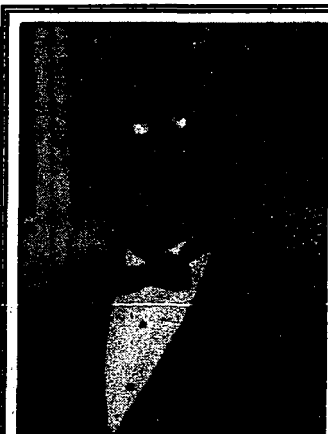
30 - Herbed Chicken/no dinner

November:

2 - Pork Roast/Turkey
3 - Baked Chicken/Salisbury Steak
4 - Brown Steak/Spanish Rice
5 - Porcupine Meatballs/BBQ Beef
6 - Pork Chops/no dinner

Thought to leave you with: The longer you keep your temper, the more it will improve.

Please have a good week and stop in and see us soon.



George Matyn

The family of George Matyn suggest friends send greetings as he celebrates birthday #87 on November 5. His address is 604 E. Michigan, Grayling.

HONORS

Heidi Englund, a junior at Grayling High School, has won first place in an essay contest.

The essay had to be written dealing with the Michigan Whitetail deer theme. This is the second year in a row Englund has won first place in this contest.

The contest is sponsored by the Grand Traverse chapter of Michigan Whittails, a chapter of Michigan Conservation Foundation.

Englund is the daughter of Dave and Judy Englund and the granddaughter of Emma Mattson of Grayling and the granddaughter of Ruth Englund of Midland.

MILITARY NEWS

Navy Seaman Recruit Eric W. Everson, son of Dennis W. Everson of Frederic, recently completed U.S. Navy basic training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Illinois.

During the eight-week program, Everson completed a variety of training which included classroom study and practical instruction on naval customs, first aid, fire fighting, water safety and survival, and shipboard and aircraft safety. An emphasis is also placed on physical fitness.

Everson and other recruits also received instruction on the Navy's

core values -- honor, courage and commitment -- and how to apply them in their military performance and personal conduct. Everson joins 55,000 men and women who will enter the Navy this year from all over the country.

Men and women train together from their first day in the Navy just as they do aboard ships and at shore commands around the world. To reinforce the team concept, Everson and other recruits also were trained in preventing sexual harassment and ensuring equal opportunity.

Everson is a 1998 graduate of Petoskey High School.

RANGE FIRING

Range firing will be conducted at Camp Grayling during the period October 28-November 3, 1998.

The Range 40 Complex, Air to Ground, located north of County Road 612, east of Guthrie Lake, south of Old State Road 618, and west of County Road F97 (Twin Bridge Road).

The Range 40 Complex, located north of county Road 612, east of

Sherman Road, south of Old State Road 618, and west of County Road F97 (Twin Bridge Road). Artillery and mortar firing will be conducted.

Range 20 and 21 Demolition Ranges located south of Howé Road, west of the Crawford County Line, north of Daniels Road and east of the gas pipeline.

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Requesting information through the Internet is made by Social Security's Internet website, Social Security Online, at <http://www.ssa.gov>. You can request a copy of your Social Security "Personal Earnings and Benefit Statement," an application for a new or replacement Social Security card, or information about programs and publications.

The site also has links to our local offices which have home pages to serve you better.

If you are deaf or hard of hearing, another toll-free number is available, 1-800-325-0778, between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m., Monday through Friday.

If you are blind, or print-impaired, call our Braille Services at 410-965-6414. Information is available in Braille or large print and on computer disk or cassette tape.

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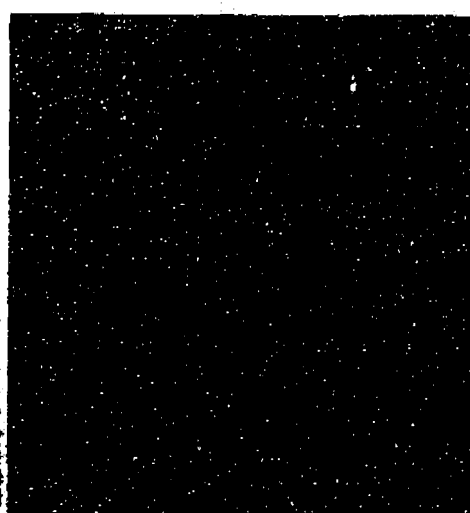
NOTES NORTHERN

Section B - Crawford County Avalanche

Thursday, October 29, 1998

Candidates for County Board of Commissioners

District #1 Precinct 701 (City of Grayling)



Harold "Tike" Golnick
Republican

District #2 Precincts 101-302 (Beaver Creek Township, part of Grayling Township)



Scott M. Hanson
Republican

Hanson: "I am committed to working with the County Board of Commissioners together as a team in order to solve the financial and management crisis currently facing our county government.

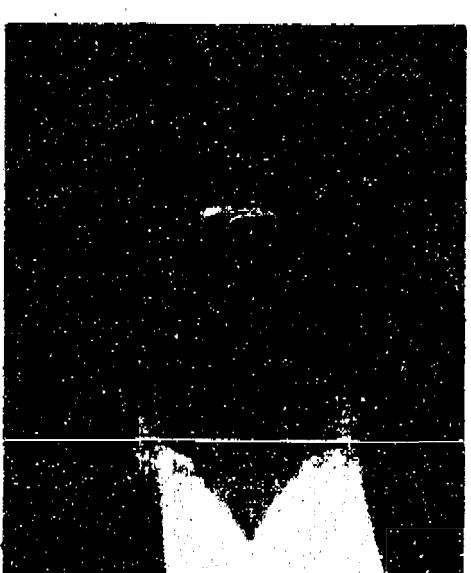
It is time that we, as citizens of this county, expect and demand common sense in dealing with the problems that face us. There are so many important issues facing Crawford County that many would find them overwhelming.

Issues like our economical development, controlled growth and fiscal responsibility will surely determine how well we are able to han-

dle other areas of need within Crawford County. It's time to breathe new life into Crawford County.

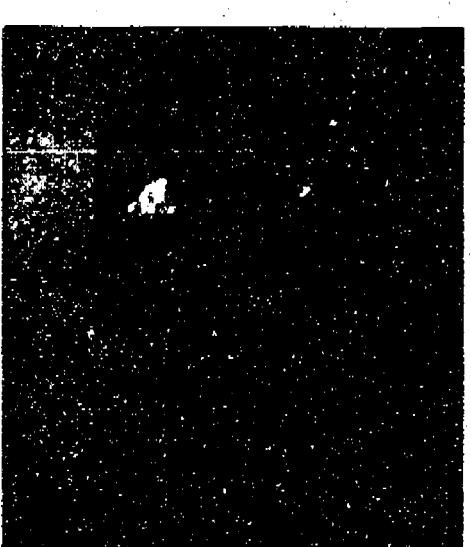
We need a master plan to shape the future. Without one we will never meet the challenges facing us today.

The master plan must reflect the interests and priorities of the citizens of Crawford County, and the programs that are implemented must, at the same time, help the county prosper and maintain the quality of life that we desire. But, the goals must be very specific and tangible if they are to be attained. There must be a plan."



Robert Nelson
Democrat

District #3 Precincts 201-401-501 (Frederic Township, Lovells Township, Maple Forest Township)



Harold Mertes
Democrat

Mertes: "The main issue facing the new Board of Commissioners will be public safety. The voters in District #3 have told me that their community is less safe today than it was four years ago.

It seems that the present County Board has never understood that its main function is to provide for the health, safety and welfare of the residents, property owners and visitors of the county.

There are only five road deputies to cover the county and no road patrols after midnight. Special grant deputies cannot be used as road deputies or investigation officers as the grant will be terminated.

There is no longer a detective to do investigations or follow up on complaints. There is no animal control officer.

Few feel that their home or vacation home is safe when they leave. People concerned about snowmobile trespass are mad. Drunks on the road and teenage drinking parties after midnight are the concern of many.

The public needs to know that someone will work hard on their behalf to provide for a safe community. If elected, I will make public safety my number one priority."



Shelley L. Pinkelman
Republican

Shelley Pinkelman is the owner of the Cigo Station and repair facility in Grayling.

She has a degree in Statistical Process Control from Northeastern Michigan College.

"I feel I have a lot of skills and a lot of knowledge that could be beneficial to the Board of Commissioners and to the community," said Pinkelman.

District #4 Precinct 303 (part of Grayling Township)



Lynnette S. Corlew
Republican

District #5 Precinct 304 (part of Grayling Township)



Robert Smock, Jr.
Republican

Smock: "Local government is the most responsible form of government in this country. You represent yourself, you are held responsible and accountable for your decisions and no one explains your thoughts or opinions but yourself.

You are publicly and privately criticized, accusations abound and then finally some people aren't going to like you or anything you do. Why would anyone want this job?

It was a long winter in 1997 and

early 1998, as County Commissioner. Our Board made a lot of people angry. Yet, since we changed our direction we have accomplished more in the last six months than we have in the last six years.

We have hired a County Controller to manage finances on a daily basis. A sensible, balanced budget has been implemented without new taxes. The Park Commission is advancing the Grayling Fish Hatchery project and bike paths throughout Crawford County.

We are assisting private investors to purchase 190 acres of state land for a shopping mall south of Grayling.

My campaign platform of a new County Management Model, no new taxes, a smaller more efficient government, advancing the Grayling Fish Hatchery project and recreation, along with private sector purchases of state land is moving forward.

These are sure signs that Crawford County's future is bright. My work is not done. I need your vote on November 3."



Elizabeth H. Wieland
Democrat

Wieland: "I believe I have an excellent background in local government to hold the position of County Commissioner District 5.

Thirteen years of experience on the county level and 12 years on the township level will be an asset to me to serve with other new

members of the Board.

I am familiar with most of the responsibilities and jurisdictions of the Board. I have served on many boards, committees and commissions including Planning and Zoning, Negotiations, Allocation, etc.

I have worked very close with the board as County Clerk.

I will work with the other elected and appointed officials in the County, City and Townships to provide the best services available within our financial means.

The health, safety and welfare of all our residents are vital concerns.

Our County's environmental and recreational resources need to be protected while addressing new and/or expanded businesses and industries which provide good-paying jobs for our taxpayers."

District #6 Precinct 301-601 (South Branch Township, part of Grayling Township)



Terry Beardslee
Republican

(The six candidates that are running in "opposed" races (Districts 2, 3 and 5) were asked to supply a brief statement for publication in this issue of the *Avalanche*.)

For a listing of precincts and where to vote please see the "Election Notice" on Page 6B. Polls will be open on Tuesday, November 3, from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Lieutenant Governor candidates



James G. Agee
Democrat

James G. Agee holds a B.A. degree in Social Science Multi-disciplinary from Michigan State University and an M.A. degree in Education Administration from MSU. Agee has performed administrative duties at the public schools of Pontiac, Marion and Macomb. After serving as Superintendent of Macomb schools he retired in 1992.

In November of 1992 Agee was elected to the Michigan House of Representatives.

In 1996 Agee received the first Presidential Award Michigan Congress of Parents and Teachers.

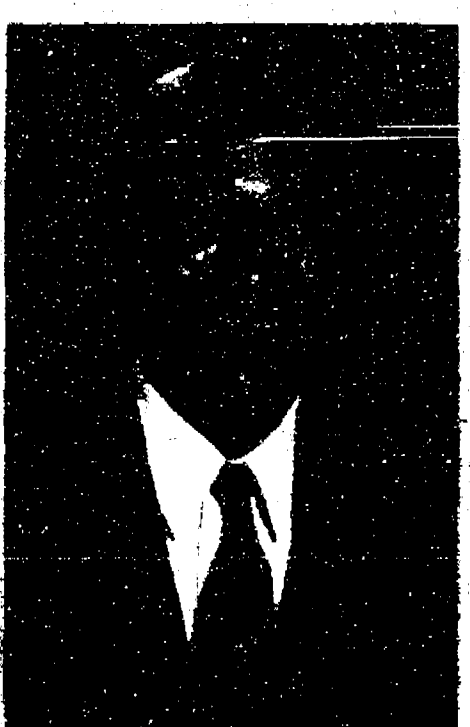
Agee was named Legislator of the Year in 1995 by the Michigan School Counselors Association and the Michigan Association of School Boards.

Dick Posthumus is the current Michigan Senate Majority Leader. He first ran for and was elected to the State Senate in 1982.

In 1968 Posthumus graduated from Caledonia High School, where he met his wife Pam. He has four children: Krista, Lisa, Heather and Bryan.

Posthumus attended Michigan State University, where he met future Michigan governor John Engler. The two have been friends ever since, and now have a political partnership.

Through legislation Posthumus has slashed property taxes for homeowners, created



Dick Posthumus
Republican

"Remorseless" in decaying inner cities and began charter schools in Michigan.

Posthumus says that he has more tax cuts planned for the future.

(Information regarding the candidates for Lieutenant Governor and Attorney General was provided by the Democratic and Republican parties.)

Attorney General candidates



Jennifer Granholm
Democrat

Jennifer Granholm currently serves as Wayne County's Corporation Counsel.

Granholm was raised in California and attended Berkeley and Harvard Law School. At Harvard she met her husband Dan Mulhern, a native of Lakewood, and the two later settled in Michigan. They now live in Northville with their three children.

In four years at the U.S. Attorney General's office Granholm successfully handled hundreds of criminal cases including prosecutions of drug dealers, bank robbers and child pornography.

In 1995 Granholm became the

youngest person and the first woman to serve as Wayne County's Corporation Counsel. Her duties include overseeing 70 employees, including nine teams of lawyers, and being responsible for a \$9.5 million budget.

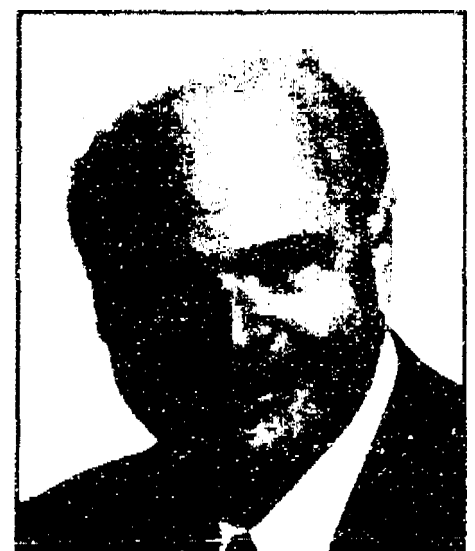
"We have a great tradition in Michigan of our Attorney General being the 'people's champion.' For 37 years, Frank Kelley has stood up for the people against unfair or oppressive actions attempted by corporations, utilities, governmental entities and frauds. I pledge to continue this tradition and will fight to ensure that every just case has a champion in the Attorney General's office," said Granholm.

John A. Smietanka served as Berrien County Prosecutor from 1974-81 and as President of the Prosecuting Attorney's Association of Michigan in 1980-81.

Prior to becoming the Prosecutor Smietanka worked as Berrien County Assistant Prosecuting Attorney. During that period he argued and won a case in the U.S. Supreme Court.

From 1981-1994 Smietanka served as the United States Attorney for the western District of Michigan.

Smietanka focused on prosecut-



John A. Smietanka
Republican

ing violent and organized criminals, especially those involved in national and international drug rings. He successfully prosecuted countless cases involving drug-trafficking, fraud, civil rights, murder, rape and robbery.

Smietanka holds a bachelor's degree in Philosophy from the Oblate Father's Scholasticate, Pass Christian, Mississippi and a Juris Doctorate degree from John Marshall Law School in Chicago, Illinois.

In 1994 Smietanka ran a losing campaign for Attorney General. He received 1.3 million votes to Frank Kelley's 1.7 million.

Elect Scott M. Hanson County Commissioner District 2



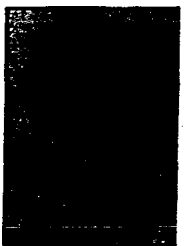
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305 Michigan Ave. - Grayling, Michigan 49738

Elect Shelley L. Pinkelman County Commissioner District 3



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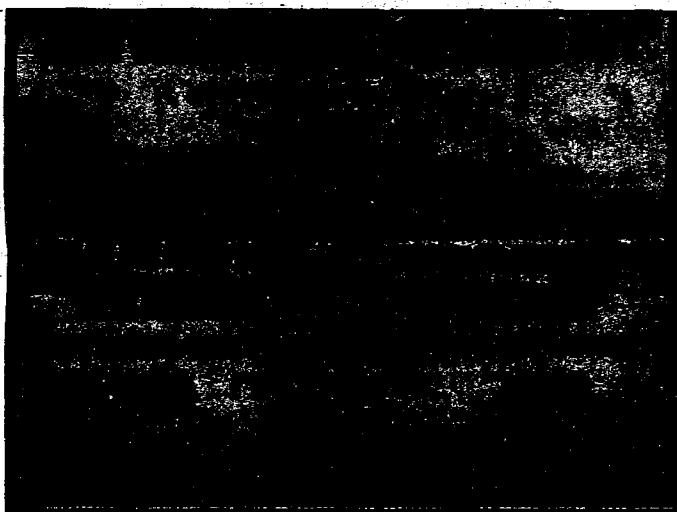
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Candidates for Secretary of State

Candice S. Miller Republican

In November of 1994 Candice S. Miller was elected Michigan's 40th Secretary of State. She was the first woman to be elected to that office.

Previously she served as Macomb County Treasurer (1992) and two terms as Harrison Township Supervisor, a position she was elected to in 1980.

Miller is married to retired Colonel Donald G. Miller, former Commander of Selfridge Air National Guard Base. The Millers have one daughter, Wendy Nichole.

During her tenure as Secretary of State Miller has utilized technology to expand customer service by offering Tabs-by-Fax, touch-tone telephone renewal for watercraft registrations and expanding instant

title service to all regions of the state.

Miller has established the department's web site and a Fax-on-Demand service from which information can be obtained 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Miller has received a number of honors including the Central Macomb Chamber of Commerce's Economic Excellence Award, an Honorary Doctorate Degree from Cleary College, the Macomb County Girl Scouts' Women of Distinction Award and the March of Dimes' 1997 Macomb Citizen of the Year Award.

Mary Lou Parks Democrat

Perry K. Spencer is currently retired from the U.S. Air Force,

Perry K. Spencer Reform Party

having served 20 years. In the course of his service he received four Meritorious Service Medals, two Air Force Commendation Medals and one Air Force Achievement Medal.

Spencer earned a BS in Management from Park College in Missouri and an MS in International Relations from Troy State University in Alabama.

Spencer said his top issue is campaign finance reform.

"I intend to lead the charge for real campaign finance reform in Michigan. Much of the problems we are facing with declining wages, the loss of manufacturing jobs, damage to the environment and a lack of ethical behavior on the part of our elected government

officials are the direct result of our current system of campaign financing," said Spencer. "I have the drive, the desire, and the ability to really fix this problem in Michigan."

"I will use my extensive experience with total quality management to streamline the department's processes and eliminate wasteful, unneeded bureaucratic requirements," said Spencer. "I will enact two-year vehicle registration options and a three-year vehicle registration option for new cars at the time of purchase."

"I will replace the branch office signs with Candice Miller's name on them with generic signs that do not have to be changed every time we change secretary of states," said Spencer. "I will return those signs and offices back to their owners, Michigan's citizens."

Candidates for State Board of Education



Barbara Roberts Mason Democrat

Barbara Roberts Mason has been elected twice to the position of President of the State Board of Education. She has also served as Board Treasurer and Secretary.

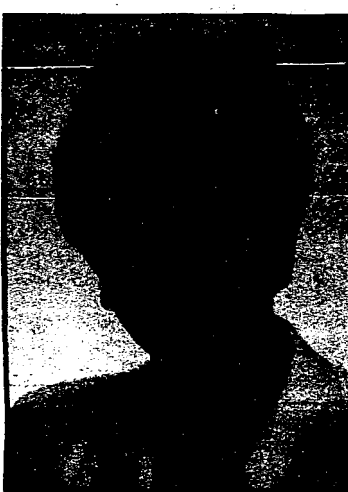
She holds a Bachelor's Degree and a Master's Degree from Michigan State University in addition to Doctoral Work in Education.

Mason is involved with Coalitions Against Violence Everywhere, the Great Lakes

Maritime Academy and the Interstate Migrant Education Council.

Mason led the Governor's Task Force on School Vandalism and Violence and is Co-Chair of the Michigan Abstinence Partnership.

"Our children are our future, and we must do all in our power to show them the way," said Mason.



Eileen L. Weiser Republican

Eileen Weiser has worked for the

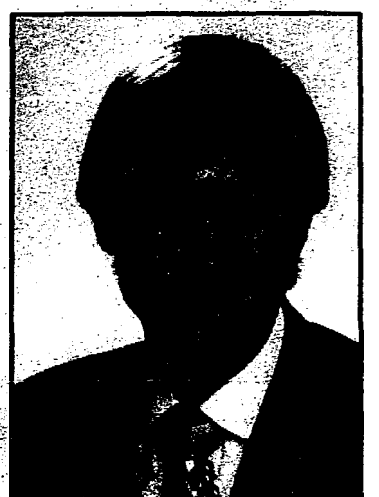
McKinley Foundation since 1988. As Project Director, she coordinated the conversion of Lansky's Scrapyard into NEW Center Ann Arbor, a nonprofit office center which provides for 20 human services and arts groups.

Weiser is a graduate of Michigan State University with a Bachelor of Music in 1972 and a Master of Music in 1975, both in piano performance.

She currently serves as an Executive Committee member and Chair of the Policy and Programs Committee for the Michigan Council for the Arts and Cultural Affairs. She is also a Trustee for ArtServe Michigan, an Advisory Committee member for the University of Michigan School of Music, Great Lakes Performing Artists Association and Purple Rose Theater.

Dr. Gary Wolfram is George Munson Professor of Political Economy at Hillsdale College and President of Hillsdale Policy Group, a consulting firm specializing in taxation and policy analysis.

He graduated summa cum laude from the University of California at Berkeley and has taught at several



Dr. Gary Wolfram, Ph.D. Republican

colleges and universities, including Mount Holyoke College, the University of Michigan and Washington State University.

Wolfram's public policy experience includes serving as Congressman Nick Smith's Washington Office Chief of Staff, Michigan's Deputy State Treasurer for Taxation and Economic Policy under Governor Engler and Senior Economist to the Republican Senate in Michigan.

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FOOT NOTES

by Ronald K. Olm, D.P.M.

EMERGENCY FOOT CARE

In an emergency, it helps to know basic first aid to help yourself until you get to the podiatrist. Remember the RICE acronym (Rest, Ice, Compression, Elevation). If possible, stay off your feet. Apply ice packs (20 minutes on, 40 minutes off) to the area to minimize swelling and pain. With sprain type injuries, if you have an elastic bandage and know how to wrap it correctly, try gentle compression. Elevate your foot, ideally above waist level. For wounds with bleeding, clean the area carefully and apply a sterile dressing. Wait for the doctor to examine any closed blisters. You may remove common splinters with sterile tweezers, but needles, glass or deeply imbedded splinters require professional handling.

While it's important to know the basics of quick-action, short-term treatment for podi-

atric emergencies, it can be crucial to a successful recovery to seek the services of a specialist trained in foot care promptly following an injury. If you don't have a podiatrist at this time, you may want to include Grand Traverse Foot & Ankle Center, P.C.'s telephone numbers, 922-9100 & 800-968-7440, in your list of numbers to keep handy by your phone. We offer complete foot care for the family at 1209 E. 8th Street, Traverse City. Hours are by appointment, but emergencies are seen as soon as possible. Offices in Traverse City, also Kalkaska Memorial Health Center Monday & Wednesday afternoons and evenings.

P. S. To be safe, bring along a slipper or soft shoe that can accommodate a bulky dressing when you go to see your podiatrist.

GHS Soccer makes it to District Final

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

The North East Michigan Conference champion Grayling Vikings started out the District Soccer Tournament with a 2-0 shutout victory of Bellaire in Bellaire.

Kyle Langseth and Jeremy Jones scored Grayling's two goals.

The win earned Grayling a spot in the semi-finals with home field advantage.

On Wednesday, October 21, Grayling hosted the Cheboygan Chiefs in the semi-final game. Cheboygan won last year's District Soccer Tournament.

With strong goalkeeping by Mike Ostwald, solid defense and some late-in-the-game offensive intensity Grayling came out with a 3-1 win.

Early in the first half Cheboygan kept the ball in Grayling's half of the field, but failed to get any threatening shots off against Ostwald.

Ten minutes into the half it started to snow, which dampened the field and caused players to lose their footing throughout the game.

The bad weather lasted only about seven minutes. After it subsided Grayling started to gain a little momentum and put pressure on Cheboygan's goal. Langseth had a few long-distance shots that were handled by the Cheboygan keeper.

Cheboygan continued to maintain control of the ball inside Grayling's zone with short, accurate passing and ball movement, but the Vikings managed to hold off any Cheboygan scoring thanks to good defense on corner kicks and a couple of nice saves by Ostwald.

Grayling started to sharpen up its passing game, and scored one at 4:43 left in the half. Langseth scored the goal on an assist from Jones.

The score remained 1-0 at half-time.

The Chiefs came out fired up in the second half and scored a quick one just two minutes into the period



CONGRATULATIONS -- The Vikings congratulate Kyle Langseth (#16) after he scored his second goal of the game against Cheboygan. The goal made the score 3-1 with only 44 seconds remaining in the game.

to tie the game at 1-1.

Cheboygan continued to mount consistent pressure against the Vikings with repeated corner kick attempts and free kicks. Both sides stepped up the physical play, resulting in more penalty calls.

With just 3:28 left in the game Jones broke the tie on an assist from Eric Thompson.

The Grayling defense held as the Chiefs tried to avoid elimination.

Grayling scored the "nail-in-the-coffin" goal with 44 seconds left in the game on a pass from Josh Petrie to a wide open Langseth, who put the ball past the keeper for his second goal of the game.

Grayling, with the 3-1 win, earned a chance at the District championship.

On Friday, October 23, Grayling traveled to Cheboygan to take on the Roscommon Bucks in the District Final match.

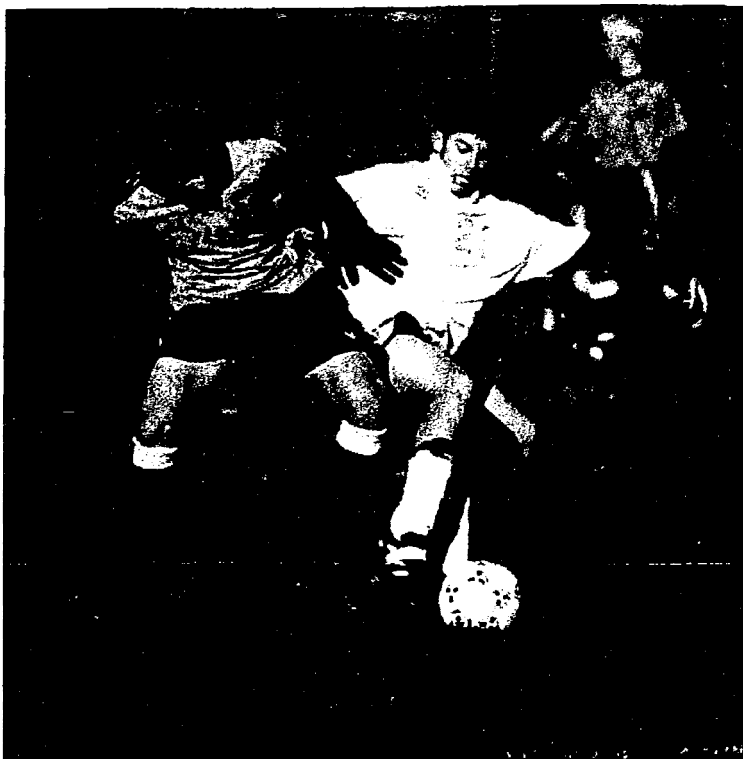
Grayling's season came to an end as the Bucks won by a final score of 2-1. Thompson scored Grayling's only goal on an assist from Jones.

Roscommon now advances to the State Playoffs.

"We have had a great year," said Coach Karen Langseth. "We did better than anyone ever expected."

"Even more important than winning the conference championship was the positive attitude and teamwork this team displayed all year. They came together so well as a team that they were able to compete and win against more experienced and established programs," said Coach Langseth. "The support from the school, community and the players' friends and family was wonderful."

"We are losing five seniors this year: Colin Hunter, Jeremy Jones, Jeremy Millikin, Mike Ostwald and Eric Thompson," added Langseth. "They will be missed."



GOING FOR THE BALL -- Jeremy Jones battles with a Cheboygan player for possession of the ball.



PASS IT UPFIELD -- Midfielder Jon Haskel pushes the ball down the sideline past a Cheboygan defender.

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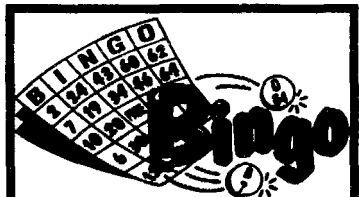
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Grayling outscores Pinconning 88-77

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

Grayling High School's Varsity Girls Basketball Team won a shoot-out with Pinconning on Thursday, October 22, in Grayling's home gym.

The final score was 88-77. "Mary Dobry, Mika Sumner and Carrie Cadeau combined for 62 points as Grayling overcame the offensive thrust of Pinconning," said Coach Chris Dunkley. "This was a nice turn around from Tuesday's game against Tawas."

Dobry led the Viking scoring with 27. Sumner had 20 points, and Cadeau added 15.

"One of our team qualities this year is to bounce back after a loss and play well," added Dunkley. "We now move to 11-4 and hope to finish strong."

The Vikings had hosted Tawas two days earlier, a game that Grayling lost 47-35.

"It was not our night, as we turned the ball over 25 times and could not seem to even buy a basket," said

Coach Dunkley. "All the girls played hard and never gave up, but we just didn't play well as a team."

Grayling's next home game will be on Friday, November 6, against Standish Sterling.



Coach sees improvement of 7th grade girls basketball

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

The members of the Grayling Middle School 7th grade "Green" and "White" Girls Basketball teams played a road game at Surline on Thursday, October 15, in what Coach Hofman called their "best game of the year."



Surline ended up winning the game 23-14.

Laura Gorski led the scoring with six points. Heather Baker added four points, and Jessica Stewart and Crystal Miller each added two points.

"The girls played their best game of the year," said Coach Craig Hofman. "We were behind 11-10 at the end of the third quarter. We did a good job of taking care of the ball all game until the fourth quarter. We gave up eight points on turnovers."

"The girls have improved all year, said Coach Hofman, "and with more practice in the off-season they will be a team of surprises next year."

8th grade girls finish regular season at 9-0

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

The Grayling Middle School 8th Grade Girls Basketball "Green" Team wrapped up its regular season with three more wins, which put the GMS Vikings at an undefeated 9-0.

On Thursday, October 15, Grayling played Surline for the second time this season. The first meeting between the two teams was Grayling's season opener, which GMS won 23-13.

The results were much the same the second time around, with

Grayling coming out on top 33-14.

The Vikings won a lop-sided victory in Gaylord on Monday, October 19, by a final score of 40-12.

Grayling's last regular season game was a road game against Houghton Lake. GMS won that game 32-23.

Grayling will travel to Houghton Lake again for the Houghton Lake Tournament on Wednesday, October 28. The team's first game will be against Kalkaska at 6 p.m.

The tournament is being held in the Houghton Lake Middle School.

7th grade GMS girls lose to Gaylord by 1

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

The Grayling Middle School 7th Grade Girls Basketball "White" Team lost a close one to Gaylord on Monday, October 19. The Blue Devils edged the Vikings by a final score of 13-12.

Jessica Stewart led the Grayling scoring with seven points. She added eight steals to the defensive effort and finished the game with eight rebounds. Heather Baker had five points for Grayling, and posted five steals and seven rebounds. Megan Madill added four steals and four rebounds to the overall effort.

"The girls played a great defensive game," said Coach Craig Hofman. "The team struggled in the third quarter with ball control and gave up six points on breakaway lay-ups."

"The girls made a strong comeback," continued Hofman. "Down 13-7 the girls fought back with two minutes left to score five points. With eight seconds left Gaylord broke through the press and after a steal the Vikings didn't have enough time to get a shot off."

The team hosted Houghton Lake

on Wednesday, October 21. Houghton Lake won that game 24-8.

"After losing earlier in the season 40-10 to Houghton Lake the girls continued to improve and held Houghton Lake to two points in the first quarter," said Coach Hofman. "We were only down 8-2 at half."

"The offense worked good and we had several open shots, but the ball just would not go in for the girls," said Hofman.

Ferrigan and Stewart split the scoring with four apiece.

"Heather Baker and Jessica Stewart continue to dominate the game defensively," said Hofman. "Megan Madill, Sara Bindschattel, Molly Ferrigan and Kristin Smock continue to improve and play more consistently."

"The girls have out-hustled every team they have come up against, but at times we get tired for a short spell, and that has made differences in some games. It is going to happen with only six players," added Hofman.

The team's next game will be in the Roscommon Tournament on Tuesday, November 3.

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LEGAL ACTION

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

The Crawford-Roscommon Child Protection Council would like to announce that the "Request for Proposals for Fiscal Year 1998/1999" are now being taken. Funds for child abuse and neglect prevention programs are made available each year through the state income tax check-off. The grants should be designed to support primary or secondary prevention programs. This year the cap on the grants awarded through the Child Protection Council is set at \$500. If your agency would like to submit a grant, please forward the grant materials to: Crawford-Roscommon Child Protection Council, P.O. Box 2, Roscommon, MI 48653 no later than November 15, 1998.

LOVELLS TOWNSHIP NOTICE SNOWPLOWING BIDS

Lovells Township will receive bids for the snowplowing of Lovells Township Hall, Fire Hall and dump sites #1 and #2 for the 1998-1999 season at the Township Hall offices.

Evidence of insurance must accompany all bids. Snowplowing specification can be obtained at the Township Hall between the hours of 9:00 am and 3:00 pm on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays.

The township board reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to award the bid to other than low bidder, and in general to make the award in any manner deemed by it, in its sole discretion, to be in the best interest of Lovells Township.

Cheryl Hopp
Lovells Township Clerk

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF CRAWFORD NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION Independent Probate

File No. 98-5390-IE
Estate of Sue Morton Jenkins, 305-52-1007.

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
Your interest in the estate may be barred or affected by the following:

The decedent, whose last known address was 434 Blue Ridge Road, Indianapolis, Indiana 46208, died April 7, 1998.

An instrument dated October 20, 1991, has been admitted as the will of the decedent.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to the independent personal representative, Thomas M. Jenkins, 2331 Brookside Drive, Louisville, Kentucky 40205-1701, or to both the independent personal representative and the Crawford County Probate Court, Grayling, Michigan 49738, within four (4) months of the date of publication of this notice. Notice is further given that the estate will be thereafter assigned and distributed to the persons entitled to it.

Kathleen Kaufman (P45253)
P.O. Drawer 665
Grayling, MI 49738
(517) 348-5232

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF CRAWFORD NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION Independent Probate

File No. 98-5894-IE
Estate of William J. Venus, deceased, 382-05-5036A.

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
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The decedent, whose last known address was 6288 Bald Hill Road, Grayling, Michigan 49738.

An instrument has been admitted as the will of the decedent.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to the independent personal representative, Mary Jane Bolton, c/o David R. Sabin, P.C. 115 Michigan Avenue, Grayling, Michigan 49738, or to both the independent personal representative and the Crawford County Probate Court, Grayling, Michigan 49738, within four (4) months of the date of publication of this notice. Notice is further given that the estate will be thereafter assigned and distributed to the persons entitled to it.

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NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

Default having been made in the conditions of a certain Mortgage made by JER-ALD A. HENRY, a single man, of 2915 E. M-72, Grayling, Michigan, 49738, to Empire National Bank of Traverse City, a national banking association of 1227 East Front Street, Traverse City, Michigan, 49686, dated June 26, 1997, and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Crawford in the State of Michigan on July 1, 1997, at Liber 432, Pages 540-545, on which Mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of this Notice, for principal and interest, the sum of \$29,321.12; and no proceedings having been instituted to recover the debt now remaining secured by said Mortgage, or any part thereof, whereby the power of sale contained in said Mortgage has become operative;

NOW THEREFORE, Notice is hereby given that on Tuesday, November 17, 1998, at 10:00 a.m., on the steps of the Courthouse in the City of Grayling, that being the place for holding the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford, there will be offered for sale and sold to the highest bidder, at public sale, for the purpose of satisfying the amounts due and unpaid upon said Mortgage, together with interest at 9.850% per annum, legal costs, attorney fees, and any taxes and insurance that said Mortgagee, Empire National Bank of Traverse City, Traverse City, Michigan, does pay on or prior to the date of said sale; said premises are described in said Mortgage as follows, to-wit:

Land situated in the Township of Grayling, County of Crawford and State of Michigan, described as:

All that part of the West 1/2 of the West 1/2 of the East 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 16, Town 26 North, Range 2 West, lying on the North side of Highway M-72.

Commonly known as 2915 E. M-72, Grayling, Michigan, 49738.

The redemption period as provided by law is six (6) months from the date of the sale.

Dated: October 6, 1998.
EMPIRE NATIONAL BANK OF TRAVERSE CITY, Mortgagee
SMITH & JOHNSON, ATTORNEYS, P.C.
H. Wendell Johnson (P24247)
Attorney for Mortgagee
603 Bay Street - P.O. Box 705
Traverse City, MI 49685-0705
(616) 946-0700

-15-22-29-5-12

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE SALE

To the Owner or Owners of any and all Interests in, or Liens upon the Lands herein described:

Take Notice, that sale has been lawfully made of the following described land for unpaid taxes thereon, and that the undersigned has title thereto under tax deed or deeds issued therefor, and that you are entitled to a reconveyance thereof, at any time within six months after return of service of this notice, upon payment to the Treasurer of the County in which the lands lie, of all sums paid upon such purchase, together with 50% additional thereto, and the fees of the Sheriff for the service plus cost of publication of this notice, to be computed as upon personal service of a Summons upon commencement of an Action, and without other additional cost or charges. If payment as aforesaid is not made, the undersigned will institute Proceedings for possession of the land.

Lands and premises situated in the County of Crawford, and State of Michigan. Description of lands.

Lot # 532 Warblers Hideaway #4 - Warblers Hideaway Association. Property tax code 010-14-503-00-532-00.

Michael Steiger, and Kathy L. Steiger, last known address 113 N. Franklin, Saginaw, MI 48604.

Lester W. Brocht (Deceased), and Evelyn C. Brocht last known address 113 N. Franklin, Saginaw, MI 48604.

Amount necessary to redeem \$81.68 plus fees of the Sheriff and cost of publication.

Persons shown above are last grantee in the regular chain title of such lands or of any interest therein as appearing by the records in the Register of Deeds office of said County, or holders of unrecorded Quit Claim Deeds to the land described above.

Warblers Hideaway Association tax deed holder - Lawrence J. Lipinski, Treasurer, 2704 Lovells Rd., Grayling, MI 49738.

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Crawford County Avalanche
102 Michigan Avenue
Grayling, MI 49738
(517) 348-0811
FAX (517) 348-0806

CRAWFORD COUNTY HOUSING REHABILITATION AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION 203 HURON STREET, GRAYLING, MI 49738 517-348-3513

The Crawford County Housing Commission has money to spend to rehabilitate homes in Crawford County. If your home needs a new roof, siding, flooring, furnace, hot water tank, drainfield, well, etc. maybe we can assist you.

1. You need to be a homeowner with no less than one year residency in Crawford County.
2. Your property taxes must be current.
3. You must have homeowner insurance.
4. Our loans are based on gross income and family size.

Perhaps you can qualify for a loan with the Crawford County Housing Commission. Please stop into the office or call for further information, we would like to help you.

We are located behind Burger King, next door to State Farm Insurance Bureau.

To Report News Call 348-6811

MAPLE FOREST TOWNSHIP NOTICE FOR BIDS

Maple Forest Township will be accepting bids for snow plowing the township hall driveway and parking area for the 1998-99 winter season until 5:00 p.m., Friday, November 6, 1998. Bids may be sent to the township supervisor, Mark Kniss, at 7416 N. Sherman Road, Frederic, MI 49733. Bids may be written for multiple years.

Maple Forest Township Board reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to accept other than low bid and to make decisions that will be in the best interest of Maple Forest Township.

NOTICE: The Maple Forest Township new office is now open on Tuesdays and Wednesdays, each week from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. Our phone number is 517-348-5794. Feel free to stop in and see our new look.

Susan M. Keene
Maple Forest Township Clerk

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LEGAL ACTION

South Branch Township Bid Proposal Specifications (Option B)

Solid Waste Collection

1. All bids shall be submitted to the South Branch Township Clerk at P.O. Box 606, Roscommon, MI 48653 and must be received no later than, Tuesday, November 10, 1998, 12:00 p.m. (noon).
2. All bids shall include the per unit cost of loading and hauling away 40-yard (non-compacted) loads of refuse under the following terms and conditions:

a. Hauling from the McMasters Bridge collection facility which generates approximately 5 loads per month in November, December, January, February, March and April, and 10 loads per month in May, June, July, August, September and October.

b. Hauling from the Pioneer Road collection facility which generates approximately 20 loads per month in November, December, January, February, March and April and approximately 32 loads per month in May, June, July, August, September and October.

3. All bids shall also include cost per load for hauling away large items (specifically including tires and refrigerators) which will occur bi-monthly.
4. All bids must be sealed and marked "Solid Waste Disposal Bid (Option A)" and/or (Solid Waste Disposal Bid (Option B)).
5. South Branch Township reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to accept the bid deemed to be in the best interest of the Township.

Laura Smith
South Branch Township Clerk

SNOWPLOWING BIDS

Bids are being accepted for snow removal at the Department of Natural Resources, Grayling Field Office, on M-93 just west of I-75. Bid forms are available at the Grayling Field Office, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Bids will be due by 4 p.m. on Friday, November 6, 1998.

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FREDERIC TOWNSHIP NOTICE

Please be notified the Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing on November 5, 1998 at 7:00 p.m. in the Township Office, 7564 Co. Road 612 to hear the following case:

Case #: ZBA.98.1 Owners Jackie and Phyllis Smith, petitioner
T28N, R4W, Section 1 Parcel 14
Zone R1, C1

A request to place a 1987 14'x70' Mobile Home on this property.

Case #: ZBA.98.2 Owner Diane Tompkins, petitioner
T27N, R4W, Section 31 11846 W. M-72
Zone R1, C1

A request to construct a 14'x32' addition to the side of her house which would require a variance to encroach 10 feet beyond the rear building setback of this property.

Tentative text and zoning maps may be examined at the Township Office during regular business hours.

Correspondence concerning the request should be directed to: Frederic Township, P.O. Box 78, Frederic, MI 49733. Telephone (517) 348-8778.

Nancy Bindschatel
Township Clerk

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NOTICE OF HEARING TO CONFIRM SPECIAL ASSESSMENT ROLL FOR GARBAGE PICK-UP IN SOUTH BRANCH TOWNSHIP

To all property owners in the township of South Branch, Crawford County, State of Michigan:

Take notice that the purpose of this hearing is to allow property owners the right to review the special assessment roll errors. Persons who object may address only the issues of whether their property was accurately assessed on a per unit basis.

One (1) unit cost will not exceed \$80.00 annually.

Take further notice that the special assessment roll is on file at the South Branch Township Hall, 5245 M-18, Roscommon, MI for public examination.

Public notice is hereby given that this Board will meet Tuesday, November 10, 1998 at 6:00 p.m. at the South Branch Township Hall, 5245 M-18, Roscommon, MI to confirm the Special Assessment Roll for Garbage Pick-up in South Branch Township.

An owner, or party in interest or his or her agent may appear in person at the hearing to protest the units charged, or shall be permitted to file his or her appearance or protest by letter and his or her personal appearance shall not be required. (The owner or any person having an interest in the real property who protests in person or in writing at the hearing may file a written appeal of the units charged with the State Tax Tribunal within 30 days after the confirmation of the special assessment roll.)

Laura Smith, Township Clerk

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South Branch Township Bid Proposal Specifications (Option A)

Solid Waste Disposal

1. All bids shall be submitted to the South Branch Township Clerk at P.O. Box 606, Roscommon, MI 48653 and must be received no later than, Tuesday, November 10, 1998, 12:00 p.m. (noon).
2. All bids shall include the per unit cost of loading and hauling away 40-yard (compacted) loads of refuse under the following terms and conditions:

a. Hauling from the McMasters Bridge collection facility which generates approximately 1.25 loads per month in November, December, January, February, March and April, and 2.5 loads per month in May, June, July, August, September and October.

b. Hauling from the Pioneer Road collection facility which generates approximately 5 loads per month in November, December, January, February, March and April and approximately 8 loads per month in May, June, July, August, September and October.

3. All bids shall also include cost per load for hauling away large items (specifically including tires and refrigerators) which will occur bi-monthly.
4. All bids must be sealed and marked ("Solid Waste Disposal Bid Option A") and/or (Solid Waste Disposal Bid Option B).
5. South Branch Township reserves the right to reject the bid deemed to be in the best interest of the Township.

Laura Smith
South Branch Township Clerk

MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

Robert A. Tremain & Associates, P.C., is a debt collector and we are attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by MICHAEL J. WEAVER AND RHONDA K. WEAVER, HUSBAND AND WIFE to WMC MORTGAGE CORP., Mortgagee, dated February 23, 1998, and recorded on March 4, 1998, in Liber 448, on page 403, CRAWFORD County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of seventy eight thousand six hundred and 63/100 Dollars (\$78,069.63), including interest at 10.750% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and approved, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of County Building, Grayling, MI, at 10:00 a.m. on December 2, 1998.

Said premises are situated in GRAYLING TOWNSHIP, CRAWFORD County, Michigan and are described as:

File Number FA-55863
PARCEL "C": Part of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 12, Town 26 North, Range 4 West, Grayling Township, Crawford County, Michigan: Commencing at the Southwest corner of said Section 12, thence North 89 degrees 37 minutes East along the South line 1315.1 feet, thence North 01 degree 43 minutes East along the West 1/8 line, 783.13 feet to Point of Beginning; thence North 73 degrees 16 minutes West, 346.78 feet, thence North 01 degree 43 minutes 30 seconds East, 569.51 feet, thence South 89 degrees 45 minutes East, 483.04 feet, thence South 02 degrees 01 minute West, 149.91 feet, thence South 89 degrees 44 minutes East, 339.62 feet, thence South 02 degrees 01 minute West, 35 feet, thence North 89 degrees 44 minutes West, 339.62 feet, thence South 02 degrees 01 minute West, 264.52 feet, thence South 89 degrees 44 minutes East, 140 feet, thence South 02 degrees 01 minute West, 301.53 feet, thence North 73 degrees 16 minutes West, 293.95 feet to Point of Beginning.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241(a) in which case the redemption period shall be 90 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: October 26, 1998
WMC MORTGAGE CORP.
Mortgagee
ATTORNEY FOR: Mortgagee
Robert A. Tremain & Associates, P.C.
401 South Old Woodward Avenue
Suite 300
Birmingham, MI 48009-6616
-29-5-12-19-26

SHORT FORECLOSURE NOTICE - CRAWFORD COUNTY

PETER M. SCHNEIDERMAN & ASSOCIATES, P.C. IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made

by: Stephen D. Mulder and Brenda M. Mulder to Traverse Mortgage Corporation, a Michigan Corporation, Mortgagee, dated July 16, 1993, and recorded on July 27, 1993, in Liber 363, on page 121-124. Crawford County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said mortgagee to Benchmark Mortgage Corporation, by an assignment dated July 16, 1993, and recorded on July 24, 1993, in Liber 363, on Page 125. Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of FORTY SIX THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED NINETY NINE AND 17/100 DOLLARS (\$46,199.17), including interest at 8% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the Court Building in Grayling, Michigan, at 10:00 a.m. on November 25, 1998.

Said premises are situated in Township of Frederic, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

LOT 6, MAY AUSABLE ESTATES, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN LIBER 3 OF PLATS, PAGE 19, CRAWFORD COUNTY RECORDS. TAX #20-032-260-000-006.00. *and re-recorded October 11, 1994 in Liber 384, Page 481.

**and re-recorded October 11, 1994 in Liber 384, Page 485.

The redemption period shall be six months from the date of such sale unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated October 6, 1998
Benchmark Mortgage Corporation
Mortgagee
PETER M. SCHNEIDERMAN & ASSOCIATES, P.C.
30300 Northwestern Highway, Suite 222
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334
-15-22-29-5-12

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE SALE

To the Owner or Owners of any and all Interests in, or Liens upon the Lands herein described:

Take Notice, that sale has been lawfully made of the following described land for unpaid taxes thereon, and that the undersigned has title thereto under tax deed or deeds issued therefor, and that you are entitled to a reconveyance thereof, at any time within six months after return of service of this notice, upon payment to the Treasurer of the County in which the lands lie, of all sums paid upon such purchase, together with 50% additional thereto, and the fees of the Sheriff for the service plus cost of publication of this notice; to be computed as upon personal service of a Summons upon commencement of an Action, and without other additional cost or charges. If payment as aforesaid is not made, the undersigned will institute Proceedings for possession of the land.

Lands and premises situated in the County of Crawford, and State of Michigan. Description of lands.

Lot # 396 Northern Hts. #3 - Warblers Hideaway Association. Property tax code 010-14-402-00-396-00.

Mega World Inc. Robert Walcker President - Last known address P.O. Box 3385, Belleview, FL 32526.

Mega World Inc. Robert Walcker President - c/o Charles W. Grant Attorney (Bankruptcy Trustee), 112 West Adams St., Suite 1802, Jacksonville, FL 32202-3839.

Amount necessary to redeem \$39.14 plus fees of the Sheriff and cost of publication.

Persons shown above are last grantee in the regular chain title of such lands or of any interest therein as appearing by the records in the Register of Deeds office of said County, or holders of unrecorded Quit Claim Deeds to the land described above.

Warblers Hideaway Association tax deed holder - Lawrence J. Lipinski, Treasurer, 2704 Lovells Rd., Grayling, MI 49738.

-8-15-22-29

ELECTION NOTICE

Notice of general election to the electors of Crawford County, Michigan to be held Tuesday, November 3, 1998.

To the qualified electors of Crawford County notice is hereby given that a general election will be held Tuesday, November 3, 1998 for the purpose of electing candidates and voting on three statewide proposals for the following offices:

Governor and Lieutenant Governor
Secretary of State
Attorney General
Representative in Congress
State Senator
State Representative
Members of the State Board of Education
Members of the Board of Regents of University of Michigan
Members of the Board of Trustees of Michigan State University
Members of the Board of Governors of Wayne State University
County Commissioner
Frederic Township Trustee (Partial Term)
Lovells Township Treasurer (Partial Term)
Lovells Township Trustee (Partial Term)
Justice of the Supreme Court
Judge of the Court of Appeals
Judge of the 46th Circuit Trial Court

Proposal A - A proposed constitutional amendment to change the term "handicapped" to "disabled" in Article VIII, Sec. 8, of the State Constitution.

Proposal B - A legislative initiative to legalize the prescription of a lethal dose of medication to terminally ill, competent, informed adults in order to commit suicide.

Proposal C - A proposal to authorize bonds for environmental and natural resources protection programs.

The polls of said election will be open at 7:00 a.m. and will remain open until 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 3, 1998.

Precincts:

- 101 Beaver Creek Township Office, 8992 S. Oak Rd., Roscommon, MI 48653
- 201 Frederic Township Library, Old 27 N., Frederic, MI 49733
- 301 Grayling Township Office, 2080 Viking Way, Grayling, MI 49738
- 302 Grayling Township Office, 2080 Viking Way, Grayling, MI 49738
- 303 Grayling Township Office, 2080 Viking Way, Grayling, MI 49738
- 304 Grayling Township Office, 2080 Viking Way, Grayling, MI 49738
- 401 Lovells Township Office, 8405 Twin Bridge Rd., Frederic, MI 49733
- 501 Maple Forest Township Office, 8802 N. Peterson Rd., Grayling, MI 49738
- 601 South Branch Township Office, 5245 M-18, Roscommon, MI 48653
- 701 Grayling City Office, 103 James St., Grayling, MI 49738

Sandra Moore
Crawford County Clerk

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A PUBLIC NOTICE FROM FREDERIC TOWNSHIP

The Frederic Township Board of Trustees, at their regular meeting of October 7, 1998, voted to pass "Unsafe Building Ordinance 98-15". This ordinance takes affect one day after this publication. Copies of this ordinance may be examined during regular business hours at the Frederic Township Hall located at 7564 Co. Rd. 612 Frederic, MI 49733.

Nancy Bindschatel
Township Clerk

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LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION SCHOOL ELECTION

Notice of Last Day of Registration of the Electors of Crawford AuSable School District Crawford, Otsego and Kalkaska Counties, Michigan.

To the electors of the school district:

Please take notice that the Board of Education of Crawford AuSable School District, Crawford, Otsego and Kalkaska Counties, Michigan, has called a special election to be held in the school district on Tuesday, December 8, 1998.

Take notice that the following proposition will be submitted at the special bond election:

Bonding Proposal

Shall Crawford AuSable School District, Crawford, Otsego and Kalkaska Counties, Michigan, borrow the sum of not to exceed Fourteen Million Nine Hundred Forty Thousand Dollars (\$14,940,000) and issue its general obligation unlimited tax bonds therefore, for the purpose of erecting, furnishing and equipping additions to, and partially remodeling, refurbishing and re-equipping the existing high school; replacing the middle school roof; acquiring and installing technology equipment for the high school; and developing and improving the site?

(Pursuant to State law, expenditure of bond proceeds must be audited, and the proceeds cannot be used for teacher, administrator or employee salaries, or other operating expenses.)

The last day on which persons may register in order to be eligible to vote at the special election called to be held on Tuesday, December 8, 1998, is Monday, November 9, 1998. Persons registering after 5 o'clock in the evening on Monday, November 9, 1998, are not eligible to vote at the special bond election.

To register, visit any Secretary of State branch office or your county, city or township clerk's office. Persons planning to register with the respective county, city or township clerk must ascertain the days and hours on which the clerk's offices are open for registration.

This notice is given by order of the Board of Education of Crawford AuSable School District, Crawford, Otsego and Kalkaska Counties, Michigan.

Karl A. Schreiner
Secretary, Board of Education

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FACTS AND FEATURES

HOROSCOPES

For the Week of November 1 - 7

Aries

Pay close attention to your dreams for the next few days. They may point out a minor problem that seems to be ongoing in your life. It would be best for you if you handle it now; don't wait until it gets bigger and even tougher to take care of.

Taurus

Because of your dependability, a good friend will seek out your help this week. Clear your schedule and be prepared to devote some time to him/her. Use your downtime this week to work in your indoor or outdoor garden. It will be a great way for you to relax.

Gemini

If those small problems are beginning to build and get on your nerves at work, back off before they become too much for you. If the problems atmosphere continues at home, it may be time for you to get away for a couple days and unwind.

Cancer

Don't overreact to things you hear people say. It may seem that they are talking about you, but they really aren't. This would be a good week to take a look at some of your investments and decide what changes have to be made before the end of the year.

Leo

A friend promised you something that is taking a lot longer than expected. Don't give up, and more importantly, don't lose patience and get frustrated. Turn up the creativity. You'll be able to use it to help find practical solutions to things going on at work.

Virgo

Give your full attention to changes going on at home. But don't get caught up in the little details. ~~Everyone could lose sight of the really important issues.~~ You could be called on to handle a last-minute meeting at work this week. Get your ideas in order.

Libra

Your active social life could just mean more to you this week because you may meet someone whose knowledge could be very beneficial to you. Use the newly-gained information wisely—whether it's for work, home or maybe even a new financial idea.

Scorpio

Just a little patience will go a long way this week. Do your best to be cooperative at work. You never know where it might lead you. Pay attention to your health. Your body may be trying to tell you something; don't ignore the warnings.

Sagittarius

The dust is starting to settle, so it looks like a good time to head into the next phase of that big project at work. It will definitely keep you busy, but it will end up being a big feather in your cap. Looks like things in the romance department should proceed very well.

Capricorn

You may have gotten yourself in over your head in a personal relationship. It's time to get out of it. Concentrate on work because a special project could be heading your way. And you might just meet someone very special in conjunction with it.

Aquarius

Confused by some of the small changes in your personal life? Don't be disappointed because you'll soon see that things could work out in your favor. Take advantage of a great opportunity that just might be heading your way!

Pisces

It looks like work is starting to take over your life, and you're starting to overdo things. Take a step back, but don't lose sight of your ideals in the process. This might be the best time for you to look at approaching life or a problem from a new direction.

RECIPE OF THE WEEK

CHEX SCHOOL FUEL

(MAKES 8 CUPS SNACK)

3/4 cup packed brown sugar
6 tablespoons margarine or butter (do not use spread or tub products)
3 tablespoons light corn syrup
1/4 teaspoon baking soda
4 cups Corn Chex® cereal
4 cups Rice Chex® cereal
1/4 cup semisweet chocolate chips

1. Cover cookie sheet with waxed paper. Microwave brown sugar, margarine and corn syrup in large microwaveable bowl uncovered on High 1-2 minutes, stirring after 1 minute, until margarine is melt-

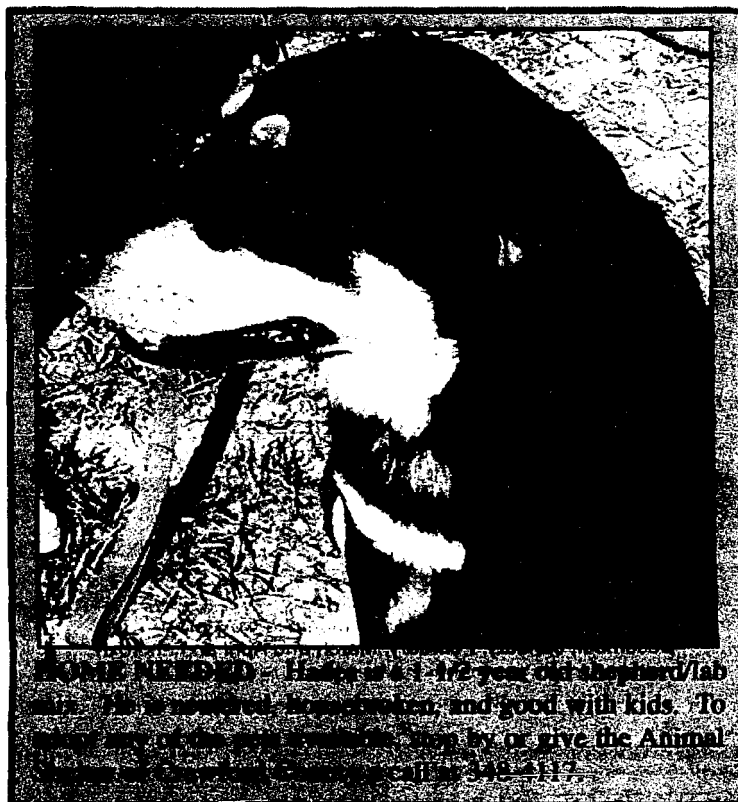
ed. Stir in baking soda until dissolved.

2. Stir in cereals. Microwave on High 3 minutes, stirring every minute. Spread on cookie sheet. Cool 10 minutes; break into bite-size pieces.

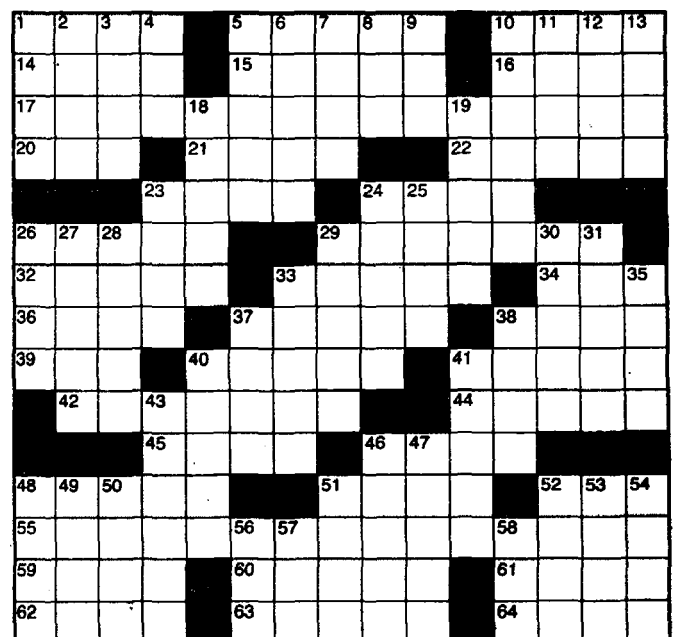
3. Microwave chocolate chips in small microwaveable bowl on High 1 minute 30 seconds or until chocolate can be stirred smooth (bowl will be hot). Drizzle chocolate over snack.

4. Refrigerate 30 minutes or until chocolate is set. Store in airtight containers.

For pretzel or peanut lovers: Stir in 1 cup broken pretzels or 1/2 cup honey-roasted peanuts with the cereal.



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52. King: Fr.
55. Jim's rafting partner
59. Robert ___ of VA
60. Manager Epstein
61. Frozen desserts
62. Elmer of cartoons
63. Rural buildings
64. Bull, to Jose
30. Dodge
31. Founder of Bolshevism
33. Conscience, sometimes
35. Turner and Eisenhower
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ANSWERS IN CLASSIFIEDS

A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

23 YEARS AGO October 2, 1975

Mike Weaver, a Grayling High School junior, shot a fine buck just west of Camp Grayling.

Rodney E. Parker was appointed Executive Director for the Northeast Michigan Regional Planning and Development Commission at the Full Commission meeting held at the Chalet Inn of Gaylord on Oct. 10.

Chuck Fick spent four days last week in Midland at Jobber's Training School.

Mr. and Mrs. John Fick spent a few days in Owosso visiting and doing some bird hunting. They also attended the homecoming festivities there. Their granddaughter is head majorette in the band.

Rev. Robert Haskel and wife, Joyce, held an Open House for the congregation of St. John Lutheran Church on Sunday.

Mrs. Zip Myers was feted on her 75th birthday Sunday afternoon by her daughter, Mrs. Homer King Sr., at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Homer King Jr. Many of Mrs. Myers old friends visited her and the party was complete with cake and trimmings. Miss April Thayer spent last Thursday and Friday with her father, Arthur Thayer. She had a couple days vacation from her job at Arbor Heights Center in Ann Arbor.

Airman David G. Lovely, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leo E. Lovely of Grayling, has completed Air Force basic training at Lackland AFB, Texas.

A daughter, Amy Elizabeth, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Kent of Grayling on October 15, weighing 6 lb. 3 oz.

A son, Gerald Joseph, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Weaver of Frederic October 17, weighing 6 lb.

7 oz.

Mrs. A. J. Pearsall of Memphis, Mich., was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Douglas for ten days. She is a sister of Mr. Douglas. Mrs. Earl Miller of Calgary, Alberta, Canada, spent a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Douglas.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hricko spent the weekend visiting their son, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Carpenter and family in Mame.

Black and White Foodland offers a 3 lb. bag of McIntosh apples for 39 cents; all squash, 10 cents a pound; and Brook hot catsup, 12 oz. bottle, 3 for \$1.

Mrs. Ray Duby returned home Saturday after visiting relatives in Midland.

Two Grayling runners, Paul and Peter VanNuck, made the second squad of the All-Conference team, as the GHS cross-country team went on to take fourth place in the Conference meet.

46 YEARS AGO

October 2, 1952

Mr. and Mrs. Bernie Hinkle of Owosso were up over the weekend. They have a new daughter who is three weeks old, named Barbara Jo. Mrs. Hinkle is the daughter of the Lyle Duncleleys.

Ernest Johnson, owner of the Johnson Oil Company of Grayling announced today the sale of the business to Eric E. Post, formerly of Lansing.

The Stanley Mathewsons, (Jackie Harwood) announce the birth of a son on October 14th. John Michael weighed 5 lb. 12 oz. His grandparents are the Earl Mathewsons and Willard Harwoods.

Glenda Kellogg is attending Flint Junior College in connection with the nurses training course she is taking at Hurley Hospital in Flint.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Serven went to Flint Saturday to hunt pheasant

and to visit relatives and friends.

Thomas Hilton of Grayling is a freshman student in Civil Engineering at Sault Branch of Michigan College of Mining and Technology. He holds a Michigan High School Scholarship.

A number of children gathered Sunday at the Piersen Spauldings home to help Patsy celebrate her fifth birthday. The day was rather cold and disagreeable but plenty happy and pleasant for all the little folks. A very nice luncheon was prepared by Mrs. Spaulding for the occasion and enjoyed by all as were the games they played.

69 YEARS AGO

October 3, 1929

Miss Genevieve Montour was home from Ann Arbor visiting her parents for a couple of days last week.

A. R. Craig went to Flint Wednesday to purchase an automatic bread wrapper for use in the Grayling Bakery.

T. W. Hanson returned last seek Thursday from a business trip to the Upper Peninsula.

A. E. Martin and Edward Mayotte of the Avalanche force, spent Sunday in St. Ignace.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Webb of Mt. Pleasant arrived in Grayling last week Thursday to spend the winter at the home of their daughter, Mrs. C. G. Clippert and family.

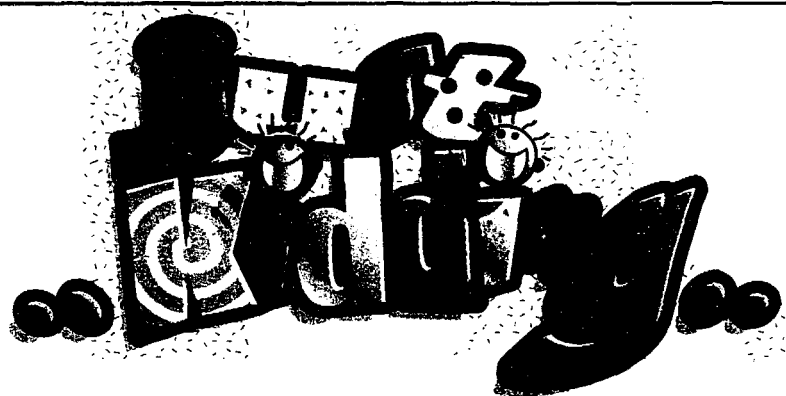
Miss Rosalyn Lewis enjoyed a visit from her sister, Miss Gene, of Gaylord, Monday and Tuesday.

92 YEARS AGO

October 4, 1906

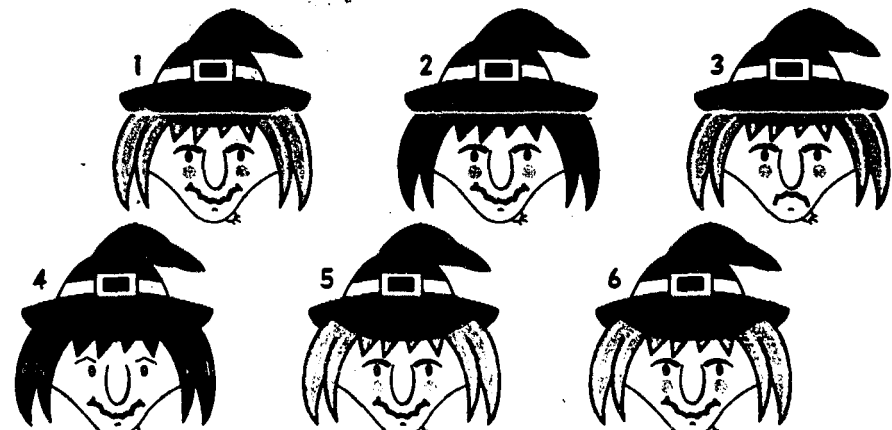
Isaac Lamont started yesterday to go to the Upper Peninsula where his brother Frank is.

F. O. Peck and Miss Gladys came home from a pleasant ten days outing in Montcalm County.



FIND THE TWINS

WHICH TWO ARE EXACTLY ALIKE?



ANSWER: ONE AND FIVE

WEATHER

Courtesy of the City of Grayling

Date	10/21	10/22	10/23	10/24	10/25	10/26	10/27
High	48	44	50	67	68	61	66
Low	34	26	29	46	36	37	35
Rain	0.17	0.02					

Date	10/30	10/31	11/1	11/2	11/3
Sunrise	7:14a	7:15a	7:16a	7:18a	7:19a
Sunset	5:31p	5:29p	5:28p	5:26p	5:25p

Extended Forecast courtesy of the U.S. Weather Service in Gaylord: Wednesday evening, mostly clear, with lows in upper 30s. Thursday will be dry; Friday, chance of showers; Saturday, dry. Thursday through Saturday lows will be upper 30s to 40; highs of low 50s to 60.

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Date of Birth: _____ Home #: _____ Work #: _____
Full Name Father: _____ Mother: _____

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Date _____

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Vikings downed in last home game of '98

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

Grayling High School's Varsity Football Team suffered a late-season conference loss last Friday at home to the Flying G's of Gladwin.

"Gladwin showed why they should make the playoffs," said Coach Rodney Patterson. "They played with a lot of emotion, we did not."

The Vikings got off to a bad start when quarterback Nate Beckwith was picked off on Grayling's first play from scrimmage. Gladwin ran the interception back 38 yards for a quick touchdown.

Gladwin added the extra point to go up 7-0 just seconds into the first quarter.

miscue on third down brought up fourth down and a punt situation for Grayling. Gladwin fumbled the punt, and Pete Mead recovered the loose ball for the Vikings.

Grayling capitalized on the opportunity on the next play with a 35-yard touchdown pass from Beckwith to Nate Hinkle.

The point after attempt was blocked, and Gladwin retained the lead 7-6 with ten minutes to go in the first quarter.

Grayling forced Gladwin to punt on its next drive and took over at the 39-yard line. The Vikings worked the ball up the field with solid running by Shane Colby, Eli Tobin and Beckwith.

Grayling faced a crucial fourth and eight situation deep in the Gladwin zone. The Vikings converted on a 12-yard pass to Hinkle, which brought up first and goal from the 6-yard line.

Gladwin intercepted a Beckwith pass on the next play to halt the drive. The Flying G's then extended their lead on a 75-yard run for a touchdown. Gladwin led 14-6 with 4:20 left in the first quarter.

The Vikings came back and put

another lengthy drive together, making it to Gladwin's 24-yard line. The Flying G's stepped up on defense and killed the drive with consecutive QB sacks on third and fourth downs. Gladwin then took over on downs.

Grayling stayed in the game with good pass defense, forcing Gladwin to punt again, but again failed to capitalize.

The score remained locked at 14-6 going into the locker room at halftime.

The Vikings forced Gladwin to fumble on the second half's opening drive. Mead recovered the ball for Grayling, his second recovery of the day.

Grayling threatened, but was stopped on a fourth and ten after a pitch to running back Colby, who tossed an incomplete pass.

Gladwin took over on downs and scored a touchdown on another big run, this time a 46-yarder, which expanded Gladwin's lead to 21-6.

After a Grayling punt, the Flying G's put another TD on the board with a 78-yard drive.

Gladwin got good field position



with a punt return deep into Viking territory. The G's finished the drive with a 2-yard run to lead 35-6.

With eight minutes to go in the game Grayling put together a solid drive utilizing short passing routes. The Vikings finished the effort with a 12-yard touchdown pass to Scott Bowers on a fourth and seven scenario.

Beckwith and Bowers hooked up again for the two-point conversion, making the score 35-14 in Gladwin's favor, which it would remain until the final whistle.

Grayling will finish up the regular season this week with a trip to Saginaw Valley Lutheran.



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Practical Magic - PG-13 (105)
Starring - Sandra Bullock & Nicole Kidman
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• Sat. & Sun. 2:15 & 4:15

ANTZ - PG (89)
Voices - Woody Allen, Sharon Stone, Sylvester Stallone
• 7 & 9 Nightly • Sat. & Sun. 2 & 4

What Dreams May Come - PG-13 (113)
Starring - Robin Williams & Annabella Sciorra
• 7 & 9:15 Nightly • Sat. & Sun. 2 & 4:15

Rush Hour - PG-13 (98)
Starring - Jackie Chan & Chris Tucker
• 7 & 9 Nightly
• Sat. & Sun. 2 & 4

One True Thing - R (128)
Starring - Meryl Streep & Renee Zellweger
• 7 & 9:15 Nightly
• Sat. & Sun. 2 & 4:15

A Night at the Roxbury - PG-13 (83)

Starring - Will Ferrell & Chris Kattan
• 7 & 9 Nightly
• Sat. & Sun. 2:15 & 4

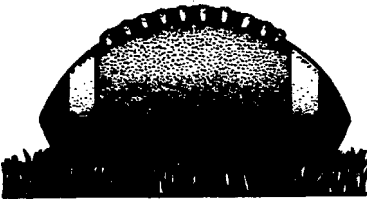
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Bride Of Chuck & Dave - R (99)
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• Sun. 2, 4 & 7 • Mon. - Thurs 7

Simon Birch - PG (114)
Starring - David Strathairn & Oliver Platt
• Fri. 7 & 9 • Sat. 2, 4:15, 7 & 9
• Sun. 2, 4:15 & 7 • Mon. - Thurs 7

Soldier - R (95)
Starring - Kurt Russell
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• Sun. 2, 4 & 7 • Mon. - Thurs 7

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Grayling took over on its own 25 following the kick-off. A snap

JV Football falls prey to Gladwin Flying G's

by Dave Golinick
Student Writer

The JV Football team lost an important league match against the Gladwin Flying G's last week by the score of 32-14. The defeat puts the Vikings at 5-3 on the year.



The game started out with intense hitting and elevated play by both teams. Gladwin took advantage early with a punt return for a touchdown following a big defensive stand.

The Vikings answered with a drive of their own, however, as running back Cam McClain punched in a score to close the gap and tie the game.

The second half saw Gladwin score again after a series of aerial assaults. The G's marched the ball 70 yards down the field on pass plays alone. The drive was capped off by a 25-yard pass play that beat three Grayling defenders deep.

Gladwin continued to rip apart the Grayling secondary with quick passes. A blocked Grayling punt put the G's in great field position to run another six points by the Vikings. Poor tackling by the Viking defenders resulted in a ton of yardage after the catch for the Gladwin receivers.

The Grayling offense finally got back on the board with an option run by quarterback Ryan Mahaffy, which made the score 30-14.

A late Grayling drive looked to be going for a score, but ended after a penalty and a huge loss which resulted in a safety. The final score was 32-14.

The Vikings play their final game Thursday, at home, against the Saginaw Valley Lutheran Chargers. The game, which will start at 6 p.m., will be preceded by "Parents Night."



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Viking of the Week



Football
Coach: Rodney Patterson
PETE MEAD

"Pete always does his best," said Coach Rodney Patterson. "He always gives all he can on every play."

Wendy's

Viking of the Week



Cross Country
Coach: Ron Rakoczy
MARC KIEFER

"In Marc's first year of Cross Country he has contributed well to the boy's team with his improved performance," said Coach Ron Rakoczy.

Chemical Bank

Viking of the Week



Girls Basketball
Coach: Chris Dunkley
MARY DOBRY

Mary's 27 points against Pinconning helped lead the Grayling team to a victory.

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BOWLING LEAGUE

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Senior Citizens League

Buccilli's Pizza	19 - 9
Cornell Realty	17 - 11
Totten's Body Shop	15 - 13
Stevens Family Circle	14 - 14
Flowers By Josie	13 - 15
Sylvester's Sports	12.5 - 15.5
Tees "N" Such "R" Us	12 - 16
Baynham Forest Products	9.5 - 18.5
Women's Hi Three: D. Mead, 475; L. Dandy, 432; T. Stedry, 431.	
Women's Hi Single: L. Dandy, 197; D. Mead, 190; G. Donnelly, 163.	
Men's Hi Three: G. Wolfe, 603; F. Krolikowski, 509; R. Dandy, 472.	
Men's Hi Single: G. Wolfe, 214; F. Krolikowski, 202; K. Harris, 191.	

Friday Mixed Doubles

Charlie's Country Corner	21.5 - 6.5
Hilltop Manor HCC	17 - 11
Moshier Auto Repair	15 - 13
R. Calkins & Sons	14 - 14
Just Us	12 - 16
Aunt Betty's	12 - 16
Fick & Sons	11 - 17
Sawmill	8.5 - 19.5
High Game Men: B. Denton, 194; J. Helsel, 191; R. Moshier, 181.	
High Series Men: J. Helsel, 533; R. Moshier, 508; M. Sumner, 506.	
High Game Women: K. Moshier, 188; M. Moshier, 186; S. Rioux, 174.	
High Series Women: K. Moshier, 544; S. Sumner, 488; M. Moshier, 486.	

YOUTH BOWLING

Transport

T-birds	15 - 5
Ramblers	13 - 7
Chevelles	11 - 9
Road Masters	11 - 9
Mustangs	10 - 10
Camaro's	7 - 13
Corvettes	7 - 13
Mercury Cruisers	6 - 14
High Scratch Game Male - R. Strohpaal, 201; Female - A. Sturdivant, 167.	
High Scratch Series: Male - R. Strohpaal, 496; Female - A. Sturdivant, 358.	
Most Pins Over Average Male - T. Lamotte, 52; Female - A. Sturdivant, 46.	
Most Pins Over Series Male - A. Barclay, 82; Female - D. Fedak, 43.	

Pioneer League

Chemical Bank	17 - 7
Millikin's	17 - 7
Aunt Betty's	17 - 7
Avalanche	12 - 12
Custom Interior	10 - 14
Lady Slippers	10 - 14
Ginger's	7 - 17
Mercy Hospital	6 - 18
High Game: S. France, 191; J. Coors, 190; K. Moshier, 188.	
High Series: S. Sumner, 529; J. Coors, 528; K. Moshier, 525.	

Recreation League

Fun - N - Sun Rental	20 - 8
Gray Rock Cafe	16 - 12
Mickey Perez CPA	15 - 13
Scheer Motors	14 - 14
Glen's Market	13 - 15
Peterson Saw Service	13 - 15
Cornell	11 - 17
Mark 8	10 - 18
High Game: B. Wheeler, 197; N. Root, 188; J. Andersen, 181.	
High Series: N. Root, 497; B. Wheeler, 492; J. Andersen, 476.	

Northwood

Rich's Cycle Service	21.5 - 6.5
Rochette's	19 - 9
Millikin's	14 - 14
R. Calkins & Sons	13.5 - 14.5
Darrell's Roofing	12 - 16
Shady Acres Party Store	11 - 17
Milltown Chiropractic	11 - 17
R & M Masonry	10 - 18
High Game: S. Harney, 205; K.	

American Men's

Morrill, J. Hinds, 198; K. Schmidt, 191.	
High Series: J. Hinds, 576; K. Schmidt, 538; S. Harney, 498.	

Triangle

Joel's Team	31 - 18
Gaylord Ford	29 - 20
Moore's Auto	28 - 21
McLean's Ace	24 - 25
Forrest Bros.	24 - 25
Stitches by Sue	22 - 27
Fenton's Auto	21 - 28
Upper Lakes	17 - 32
High Game: P. Faustman, 236; L. Helsel, 234; L. Davis Jr., 228.	
High Series: P. Faustman, 646; J. Helsel, 616; L. Helsel, 596.	

Men's Standings

Tadpoles	39 - 15
Frederic Inn	33 - 21
Legion	29 - 25
Red Barn	26 - 28
Red Barn II	26 - 28
Riverside	25 - 29
Frogies	23 - 31
Breakers	15 - 39
8 Ball on Break: Howard of Tadpoles	
Won all games played: Scott and Mark of Legion.	
7 Ball Run: Frank of Riverside.	

Women's Standings

Sawmill II	45
Legion	37
Spikes	36
Plaza	36
Frederic Inn	34
Sawmill I	28
5 Ball Run: Donna M. of Legion; Michelle P. of Frederic Inn.	
6 Ball Run: Barb M. of Sawmill II.	
8 Ball Run: Audrey of Spikes.	
Won all six games: Barb M. and Patsey P. of the Sawmill II.	



High Series: T. Everly, 547; B. Trudeau, 523; M. Sumner, 522.

Sunday Night Mixed

Waste Management	18 - 10
Us & Them	18 - 10
McDonald's	16 - 12
R & M Masonry	14 - 14
Custom Interiors	13 - 15
Wakeley's Auto Parts	12 - 16
Citgo	12 - 16
McDonald's of Gaylord	9 - 19
Men's High Game: R. Adkinson, 231; J. Helsel, 192; R. Pyle, 182.	
Men's High Series: R. Adkinson, 553; R. Pyle, 521; J. Helsel, 516.	
Women's High Game: J. Hinds, 205; L. Dannenberg, 204; N. Glassie, S. France, 187.	

POOL LEAGUE

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Women's High Series: J. Hinds, 570; L. Dannenberg, 537; S. France, 492.

National First

Forrest Brothers	33 - 16
Faustman's Insurance	28 - 21
Hellebuyck Masonry	27 - 22
Swamp II	24 - 25

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GHS Golf finishes season

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

The Grayling High School Boys Golf Team recently wrapped up its 1998 season.

"Although we only won one of the last four regular season matches our scores showed great improvement and consistency," said Coach Herb Olson. "This young team will be a force for the next few years."

Grayling's win came against Fairview on Wednesday, September 28, at home. The final tally was close, 184-185.

The other three late regular season matches were against Saginaw Valley Lutheran, Mio and Kalkaska.

"We had great scores from (Matt) Mitchell, who shot two 41's, (Chet) Wheeler, who shot a 42, 43 and a 44, (Marcus) Marelich, who shot a 43 and a 44, and Max Schreiner, who was a medalist against Kalkaska," said Olson.

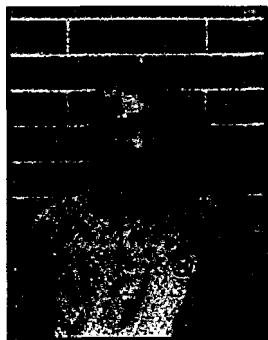


After the conclusion of the season, the GHS Golf Team coaches awarded the following annual honors:

Max Schreiner, "Most Consistent"
Chet Wheeler, "Rookie of the Year"
Marcus Bobenmoyer, "Most Improved"
Matt Mitchell, "Team MVP"
Mitchell was also named to the All-Conference second team.

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Viking of the Week



Golf

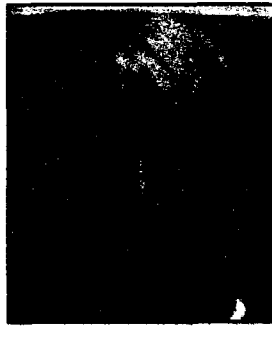
Coach: Herb Olson

MATT MITCHELL

Matt had the best scoring average on the team with a 41 and was named the "Team MVP." Mitchell made the All-Conference second team.

Wendy's

Viking of the Week

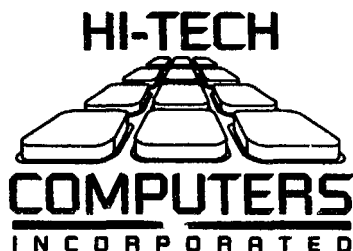


Cross Country

Coach: Ron Rakoczy

SCOTT LATUSEK

Scott, a freshman, "has been doing extremely well this season. Look for Scott to be one of the team's lead runners during the next few years," said Coach Rakoczy.



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County Commissioner District 5 - **Robert Smock**

County Commissioner District 6 - **Terry Beardslee**

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KCC to hold Police Academy graduation

The Kirtland Regional Police Academy will honor its seventh graduating class with ceremonies in the Gilbert I. Stewart Auditorium at Kirtland Community College on Friday, November 6. Graduation begins at 11 a.m. with a reception to follow in the Student Center.

Members of the Fall 1998 class include Gregory D. Barnum of Grayling, Michael D. Richardson of Roscommon and Alan H. Somero of Grayling.

Commencement speaker will be Terrence L. Jungel, executive director of the Michigan Sheriff's Association (MSA). Jungel spent the first 25 years of his career serving the citizens of Ionia County, starting as a deputy assigned to the jail.

He worked his way up to sergeant and was a road patrol officer, when in 1984, he decided to run for the top

position. He then served as sheriff for the next 13 years, running unopposed in three subsequent elections. Jungel has been active with the MSA since he was first elected sheriff and has held many leadership positions. He was president of the MSA in 1995-96.

Academy Director Jerry W. Boerema and Kirtland Community College President Dr. Dorothy N. Franke will also address the graduates. Cadet Joseph Brewbaker has been elected by the class as student speaker.

Academy Coordinator William R. Cooke and members of the faculty will present special awards in recognition of outstanding achievement. Representatives of the KCC Board of Trustees and the Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards will join Franke and Boerema in presenting graduation certificates.

KCC to hold Corrections Academy graduation

The Criminal Justice Department at Kirtland Community College will conduct graduation ceremonies for its first Corrections Academy class on Thursday, October 29. Festivities will begin at 6 p.m. in the Student Center cafeteria.

The Corrections Academy program was implemented in response to requests from area jail administrators. While state law does not require formal training for jail employees, local jail officials say training is needed to enhance safety and professionalism.

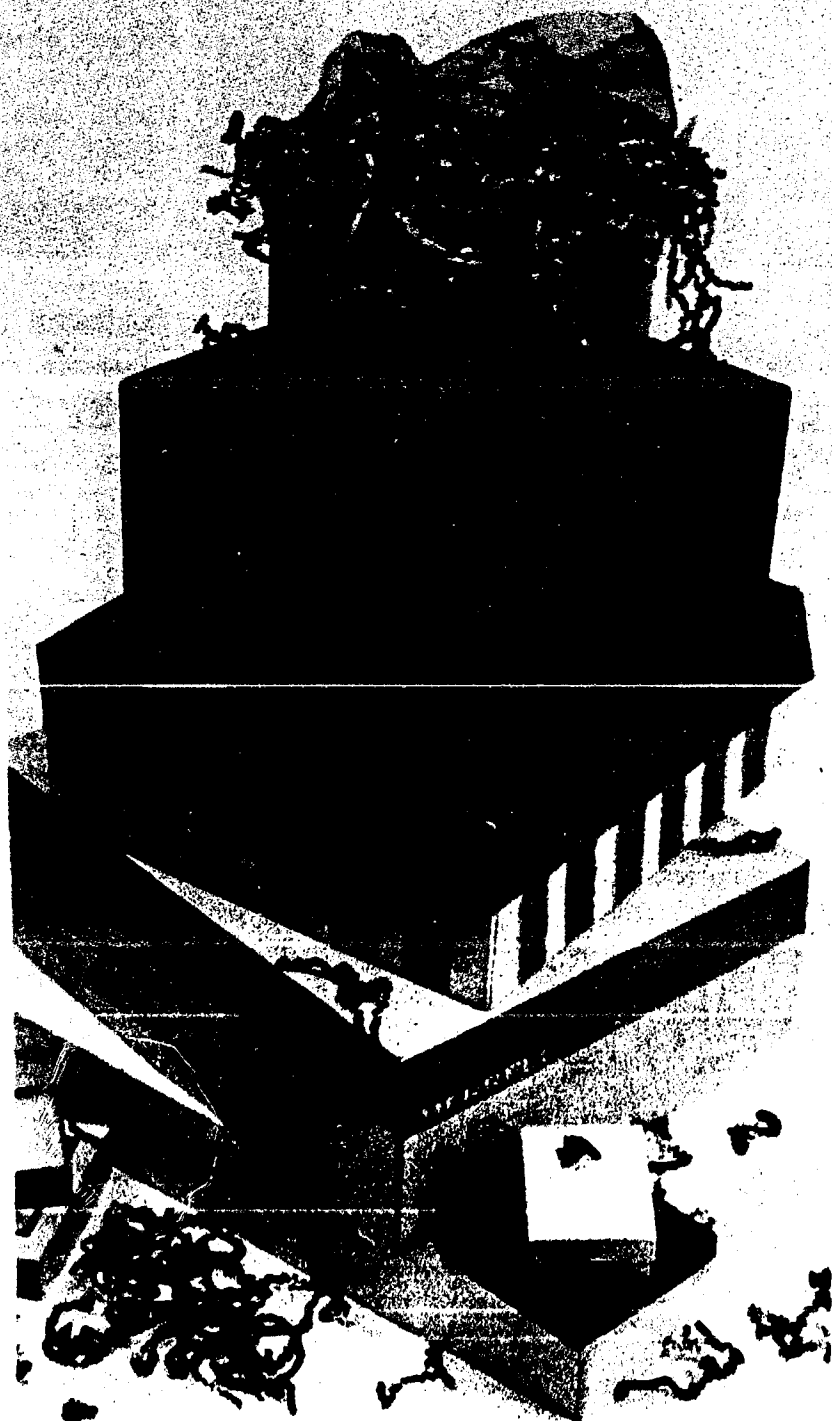
Kirtland's program follows guidelines set by the Michigan Correctional Officers' Training Council. Topics included in the 160-hour course are Booking, Intake and Release; Sexual Harassment; Report Writing; Custody and Security; Cultural Diversity; Prisoner Behavior; Correctional Law; Stress Management; Suicide

Awareness; Defensive Tactics; Ethics; Fire and Safety; and, Interpersonal Communications.

The Corrections Academy is offered as non-credit in-service training for current jail employees, fulfilling part of Kirtland's mission to provide lifelong learning opportunities.

Graduates of this year's program include Kenneth A. Miller, Roscommon County; Jack H. Reeves, Roscommon County; and Ricke Everett Watton, Kirtland Community College.

Dale R. Suiter, deputy warden in charge of programs at Standish Maximum Correctional Facility, and Jerry W. Boerema, Kirtland's director of criminal justice, will address the graduates. Rene DeKeyser has been chosen as student speaker. The Corrections Academy is funded by a grant from the Michigan Justice Training Commission.



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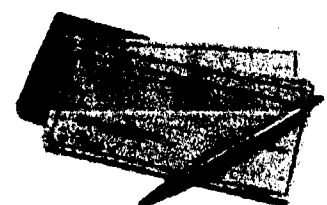
closed. There were lights on inside, though, so she ran across the street and called, determined to catch some-

one. Teller Martha Roberts had just finished closing things up for the day when the phone rang. And as soon as Martha heard the distress in the woman's voice, she told her to come right over.

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Controlled Burn Reading Series to feature poet Richard Frost

Kirtland Community College's *Controlled Burn Reading Series* is proud to announce the third event of its Fall 1998 series with a performance by poet, fiction-writer and jazz drummer Richard Frost on Wednesday, November 4, at 7:30 p.m. in the Continuing Education Center on College Drive.

The event will be preceded by a question-and-answer session with the author at 4 p.m. in Room 5 of the Academic Building.

Both events are free and open to the public; a reception and book-signing will be held after the reading.

Frost's first two collections of poetry: *The Circus Villains* and *Getting Drunk with the Birds* made a reputation for him in the late sixties and early seventies, and since that time his poems have continued to appear in small collections and magazines, including *Harper's*, *Poetry*, *the Paris Review* and many other of the country's finest literary journals. During this time he also received

New York State Arts Council fellowships, National Endowment for the Arts fellowships, the Poetry Society of America's Gustav Davidson Memorial Award, and a CAPS fellowship. His 1996 book, *Neighbor Blood*, has been critically acclaimed for its craft, its humor and its heart.

Says series coordinator Gerry LaFemina about Frost's work: "Richard is one of the most delightful poets writing today--his poems are funny, sensitive, and easily accessible. Plus they have music. Frost's many years as a jazz drummer give his poems a beat that's nearly tangible, and he is an expert at creating a world of music, of life, and of joy. His poems are real in that they attempt to encompass the whole gamut of the human experience--its sorrows, joys and indefinable moments between those extremes. I love Richard Frost's poems, and I'm grateful that he's coming all this way."

Frost, as well as being a noted

writer who writes essays, stories and poems, and musician, is a noted professor of English and Creative Writing at the State University of New York at Oneonta.

This is the third reading of the fall semester; poet Mary Ann Samyn will be the last reader of the semester on December 2, 1998.

All these events are free and open to the public, and all buildings are handicap accessible according to ADA regulations.

For more information, contact LaFemina at (517) 275-5121 ext. 376.

Chicago dance group and more at Interlochen

The gloriously gifted *Hubbard Street Dance Chicago*, with their versatility and vigor, are a high point of the fall/winter Interlochen Arts Festival.

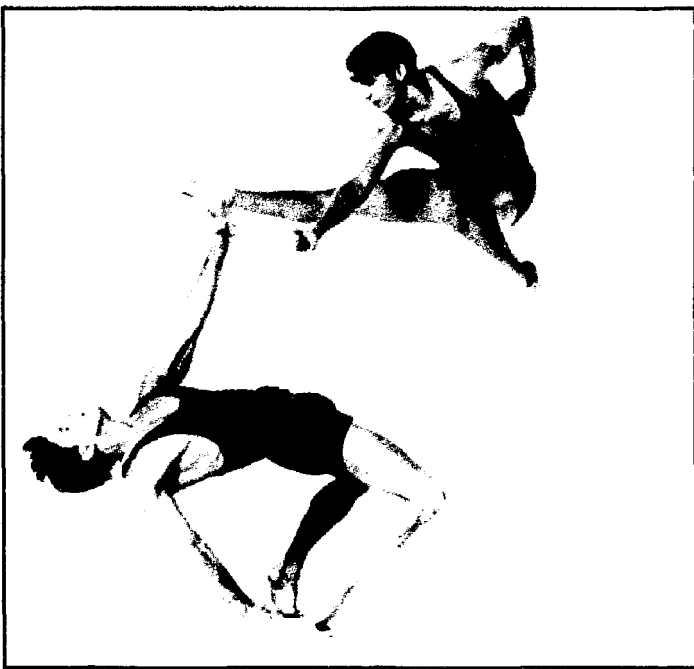
Hubbard Street Dance Chicago will perform their mix of jazz, modern, ballet and theater dance at 7:30 p.m. Friday, November 6, in Corson Auditorium. Ticket prices are \$25 for adults and \$10 for students 18 and under.

In their 20th season, this dance troupe performs many diverse pieces, from *Jardi Tancat*, accompanied by Catalonian folk music, to Twyla Tharp's *Nine Sinatra Songs*, performed to some of the legendary crooners' most popular tunes. The

group makes their first appearance at Interlochen in a decade.

The Interlochen Arts Academy *Band and Wind Ensemble* performs at 8:30 p.m. Monday, November 9, in Corson. The concert premieres Paul Hindemith's arrangement of *Geschwindmarsch* by Beethoven. The *Academy Chamber Singers* will perform at 8 p.m. Friday, November 6 in the Michael P. Dendrinos Chapel. Tickets for both events: \$5 for adults and \$3 for seniors/students 18 and under.

For tickets/information, call Interlochen's box office at (616) 276-6230. Box office hours are Monday-Friday from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Saturday, 12 noon to 4 p.m.



GIFTED PERFORMERS - The *Hubbard Street Dance Chicago* will demonstrate their versatility in a performance at Interlochen's Corson Auditorium November 6.

Dinner show features Macomers

The *Macomers*, one of Michigan's finest college show choir ensembles will be the featured performers on the Crawford AuSable Community Cultural Events program Dinner Series on Thursday, November 12, 1998, at the Grayling Holiday Inn Evergreen Room.

Family entertainment in a "Something for everyone" performance best describes their highly choreographed shows.

Founded in 1970, the *Macomers* have grown in emphasis and stature. They are Michigan's oldest college show choir and although constantly changing their musical selections and personnel, continue to receive "rave" reviews.

This enthusiastic group includes 15 singer/dancers, three instrumentalists, sequence manager, production assistant, coordinator and a director. There are many areas of study represented by these talented and energetic students who enjoy performing for people of all ages.

The *Macomers* have performed for a variety of audiences including: The Amway Distributors of

Michigan, the Ontario Automobile Dealer's Association, the National Association of Women in Construction, the Michigan Music Educator's Association, Chrysler Corporation's New Orleans Pavilion at the 1984 World's Fair, the Health Care Association of Michigan and the Warren Fraternal Order of Police.

Recent audiences have included such distinguished guests as: Lilli Tomlin, former Governor James Blanchard, former Presidents George Bush and Ronald Reagan.

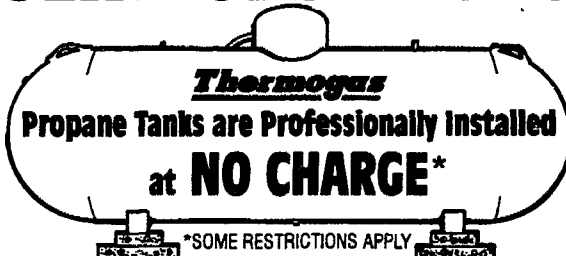
Tickets for this performance, at \$22.50, include a complete dinner featuring your choice of a 1 lb. Pork Chop or Prime Rib Entree Selection, Twice Baked Potato, Vegetable, Pineapple Boat, Roll and Butter, Non-Alcoholic Beverage and Dessert. Tickets may be purchased by calling the Community Education Box Office at 348-7641 ext. 123/120.

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Ice racing champion offers winter driving tips

(NU)-Peter Cunningham, a three-time national ice racing champion, has two words about driving in winter: snow tires.

"One of the most important factors in starting, steering and stopping on ice or snow is your tires," Cunningham says. "It makes no difference if you have four-wheel, front-wheel or rear-wheel drive, your vehicle will perform better in most winter driving conditions if it is equipped with purpose-built snow tires instead of all-season radials."

Because all-season radial tires are built to perform year-round, Cunningham says they cannot have the softer rubber compounds and unique tread of snow tires.

"Tire manufacturers have certainly come a long way in improving the winter traction of their all-season tires, but a dedicated snow tire is designed specifically to handle winter driving needs," Cunningham says. "And with more states restricting or banning the use of studded snow tires, studless snow tires are

becoming increasingly popular."

Cunningham says one of the more innovative snow and ice tires available today is the Bridgestone Blizzak, a studless snow tire offering patented "Multi-Cell" technology.

"The tread compound of the Blizzak tire has tiny pores that are exposed as the tread wears away," he says. "Combined with the tire's specially designed tread pattern, it provides outstanding performance on ice- and snow-covered roads."

The ice racing champ recommends frequent tire pressure checks during the winter, when changing temperatures can cause significant fluctuations in tire pressure.

"It's important tires be the proper level so the tread will meet the road surface as it was engineered to do," Cunningham says. "Some people mistakenly believe letting air out will improve traction. That could be dangerous and should be avoided."

Some Other Winter Driving Tips

- Consider an alternate driving route, avoiding hills, curves, bridges and other motorists.

- Remove snow and ice from all windows, headlights and taillights before starting to drive.

- Notify someone of your travel plans, with arrival and departure times.

- Make sure your vehicle is properly equipped for winter driving. Equipment

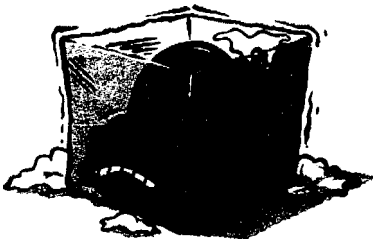
every driver should consider: cell phone, jumper cables, tow rope, blanket, sand or kitty litter (for traction), candles and matches, flashlight, food, water, first-aid kit.

"After preparing your vehicle, prepare yourself," Cunningham says. "Slow down, look out for other drivers and anticipate the unexpected. You-and hopefully I-will have a better chance of avoiding a winter accident."

Make sure your vehicle is ready for winter

(NU)-Don't let harsh weather ruin your holiday travel. The pros at the National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence (ASE), a nonprofit group that tests and certifies automotive technicians, offer the following advice about getting your vehicle ready for the rigors of winter driving.

Read your owner's manual and follow the manufacturer's service intervals. Even if you live in warmer parts of the country, you will benefit from routine maintenance and service.



Replace worn wiper blades and keep plenty of washer fluid on hand to fight road salt, grit and other grime.

Replace balding tires with all-season radials or snow tires, as conditions warrant. Don't forget to check the spare tire and make sure the tire jack is working.

A qualified auto technician should check the condition of your battery and cables, plus the radiator and all hoses and belts.

If you are not a do-it-yourselfer, find a shop with a cour-

teous staff, qualified technicians and modern equipment. Reward good service with repeat business. Ask friends for their recommendations and check the reputation of the shop with your local consumer organization.

Look for repair facilities that employ one or more ASE-certified technicians. These technicians have taken national exams to prove their competency to their employers

and to you. ASE-certified technicians wear blue-and-white insignia and carry credentials listing their exact

areas of expertise (brakes, engine repair, etc.), while their employers often display the ASE sign.

Engine performance problems such as rough idling, poor accelerations or hard starts should be corrected before cold weather sets in. You'll gain better fuel economy and benefit from the added peace of mind.

For your comfort as well as visibility, make certain your heater and defroster are in good working condition.

Have the exhaust system

examined for leaks, a potentially deadly condition in closed cars.

Carry emergency gear: flares, boots, gloves, ice scraper, high-energy snacks, a blanket, shovel, flashlight, tire chains, a few tools and a cellular phone.

ASE has prepared a

brochure on winter auto maintenance. For a free copy of Getting Your Vehicle Ready For Winter, send a self-addressed, stamped #10 envelope to ASE, Winter Brochure, Dept. NU-W97, 13505 Dulles Technology Drive, Suite 2, Herndon, VA 20171.

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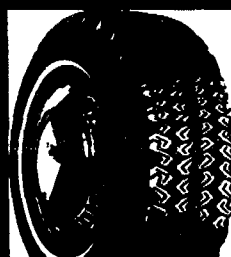
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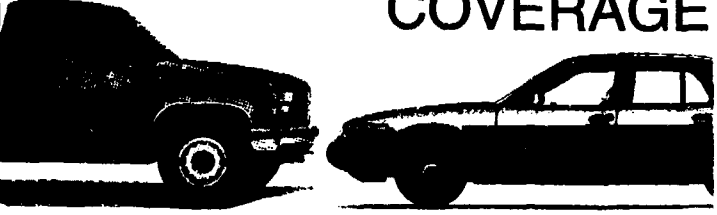
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Proper maintenance pays off Help your vehicle and the environment

(NU)-Regular vehicle maintenance and good driving habits will benefit you, your car and the environment, according to experts at the nonprofit National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence (ASE). To help you drive "green," ASE offers the following suggestions.

- Don't put off routine maintenance. You'll be helping the environment, of course. In addition, a vehicle that's properly maintained and operated runs more efficiently, is safer, lasts longer and commands a higher resale value than a neglected vehicle.

- Keep the engine running at its peak—a well-tuned vehicle pollutes less. Replace filters and fluids as recommended by the owner's manual. Have engine performance problems checked by a qualified auto technician.

- Misaligned or underinflated tires force the vehicle's engine to work harder, wasting fuel. Moreover, properly maintained tires last longer, saving you money and lessening the burden at landfills.

- Do-it-yourselfers should dispose of used oil, antifreeze/coolant and old batteries properly. Some repair facilities accept these items; otherwise, call your local municipality for recycling sites.

- If you are not a do-it-yourselfer, find a good technician. Ask friends and associates for recommendations. Check the reputation of the repair shop with your local consumer group. Check out the technicians' credentials. ASE-certified auto technicians have passed one or more national exams in specialties such as engine performance and air conditioning. Repair facilities

with ASE-certified technicians usually display ASE's blue-and-white sign.

- Your car's air conditioner should be serviced only by a technician certified competent to handle and recycle refrigerants. The air conditioners in older vehicles contain ozone-depleting chemicals. Improper service can vent these chemicals into the atmosphere.

- Change your driving habits. Speeding and sudden accelerations waste fuel. Use cruise control on highways to maintain a steady pace. Shut off the engine when waiting for friends or family. Consolidate your daily errands to eliminate unnecessary driving.

- Remove excess items from the vehicle. Less weight means better mileage. Store luggage/cargo in the trunk or inside the passenger area rather than on the roof to reduce air drag.

Regular car care is a win-win situation for you and the environment. For a copy of ASE's free brochure, Keeping Your Vehicle In Tune With The Environment, send a No. 10, self-addressed, stamped envelope to: ASE, Dept. NU-E97, 13505 Dulles Technology Drive, Suite 2, Herndon, VA 20171.

Clean-up on car cleaning tips

(NAPS)-Cleaning isn't just for your home, it's also important for your car.

Not only can regular cleaning and waxing help prevent corrosion and rust, proper car care may also increase the future resale value of your vehicle.

"The best advice is to use the best tools for the job," said Brian Holliday, Director of Marketing for Car Care Products and New Product Development for Prestone Products Corporation. "You want to use a quality wax to make the job worth your time, but you want a wax that will go on quickly."

Here are some car care cleaning tips from automotive experts:

- Hose off loose dirt and debris to help prevent scratching during waxing.

- Dried suds can leave spots. To prevent this, wash and rinse your vehicle in sections, then dry thoroughly with a soft cloth.

- Good quality car washes last throughout the wash and are better for the finish. For that reason, make sure you use a proper automotive wash, such as Prestone® Bullet™ Wash to produce the best shine for your vehicle, rather than a regular household detergent. Bullet Wash produces a long-lasting, intense foam and has a special self-metering valve which allows one exact measure to squeeze out at a time, preventing waste.

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- Make sure to let the wax dry thoroughly, then buff your car gently using a soft cloth or terry towel.

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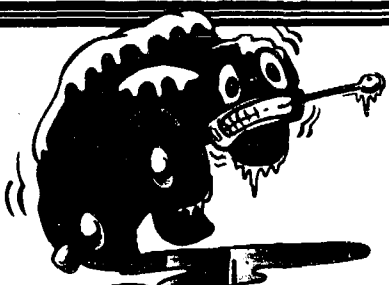
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Certified Auto Technicians Reveal 'Top 10 List' Of Neglect

(NU)-Changing the oil and filter is the most frequently neglected service by vehicle owners, according to a survey of ASE-certified automotive technicians conducted by the National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence (ASE).

The ASE survey asked technicians to list the auto maintenance that their customers most frequently neglect. From this survey, ASE compiled a top ten list of vehicle neglect.

While changing the oil and oil filter was the most frequently neglected service at 21.7 percent, neglecting the cooling system, belts and hoses was a close second, listed by 19 percent of technicians.

Transmission neglect (12.3

percent) and neglecting periodic maintenance schedules (10.3 percent) also rated high among the technicians.

"What this survey shows is that the least expensive and least time-consuming routine maintenance is being overlooked by today's car owners," said Ronald Weiner, ASE president. "Vehicle neglect can be costly. Serious problems and expensive repairs often result when car owners don't check and change engine oil and coolant/antifreeze in the radiator, or replace worn belts and hoses."

Technicians also listed other auto maintenance items that are frequently neglected: tune-ups, 8.7 percent; tires, 8.5 percent; suspension and steering, 8.2 percent; brakes, 7.7 percent; tim-

ing belts, 2.4 percent; and body/paint work, 1 percent. Since the complexity of today's new cars and light trucks limits the maintenance and service the average do-it-yourselfers can perform themselves, ASE advises car owners to take their vehicle to a repair facility that

employs ASE-certified technicians for periodic check-ups. Car owners should follow the recommended service schedules in the owner's manual.

ASE, a national, nonprofit organization, was founded in 1972 to help improve the quality of automotive service

and repair through the voluntary testing and certification of automotive technicians.

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Choosing A Repair Shop: Tips From The Pros

(NU)-Although the chill of autumn mornings is often enough to prod motorists into getting their vehicles checked out before winter, many consumers do not know where to turn for automotive service and repair.

The National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence (ASE), a nonprofit organization that tests and certifies the competence of individual automotive repair technicians, offers these tips on choosing a repair facility.

• Start shopping for a repair facility before you need one; you can make better decisions when you are not rushed.

• Ask friends and associates for their recommendations.

• Check with your local consumer organization about the reputation of the shop.

• Resist the temptation to choose a shop based solely on location or hours of operation.

• Look for a neat, well-organized facility, with vehicles in the parking lot equal in value to your own and modern equipment in the service bays.

• Ask if the shop usually handles your vehicle make and model or type of repair. Some facilities specialize.

• Look for signs of technician competence. The customer service area should display trade school diplomas, certificates of advanced coursework and ASE certifications—a national standard of technician competence.

• Look for signs of professionalism, such as community awards, plaques for civic involvement, customer service awards, membership in the Better Business Bureau, etc.

• Professionally run establishments will

have courteous, helpful staff. The manager, service writer or technician should be willing to answer your questions.

• Labor rates, diagnostic fees, guarantees and methods of payment should be posted and/or explained to you.

• Feel free to ask for the names of a few customers as references. Call them.

• Start with a minor job. Reward good service with repeat business and more complex work.

The National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence has produced a free consumer brochure called *Choosing the Right Repair Shop For Your Vehicle*. For a free copy, send a self-addressed, stamped #10 envelope to: ASE, Repair Shop Brochure, Dept. NUP97, 13505 Dulles Technology Drive, Suite 2, Herndon, VA 20171.

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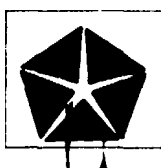
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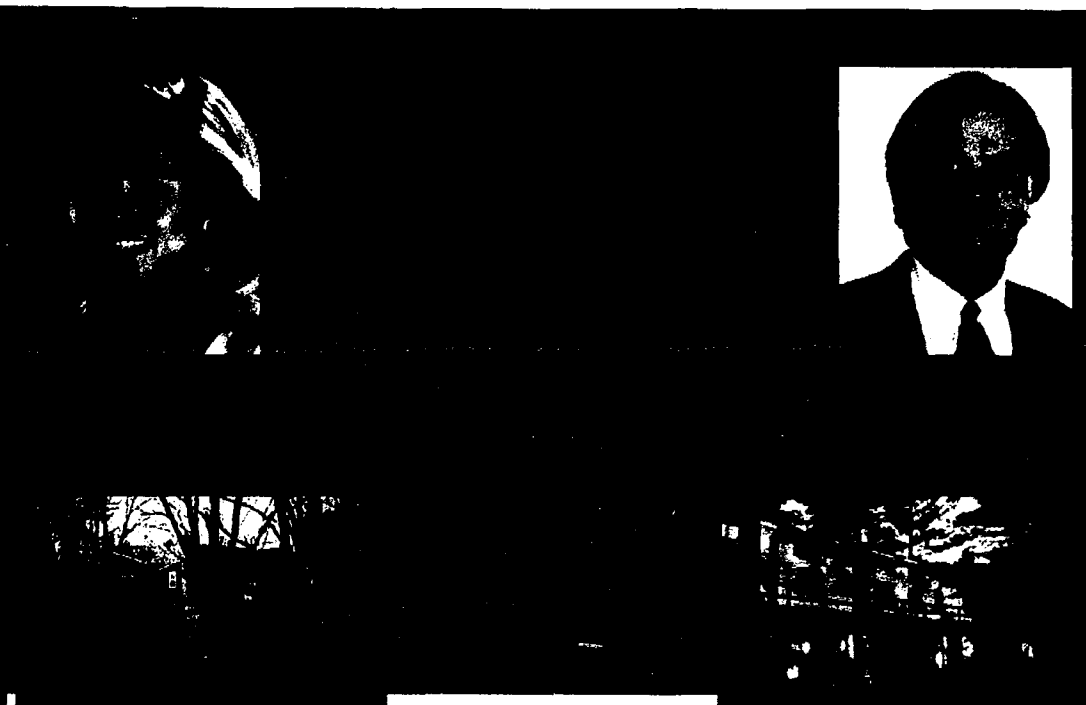
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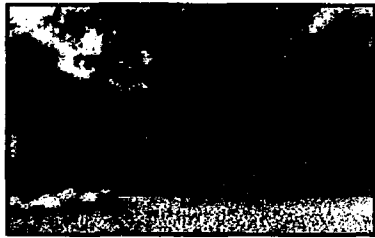


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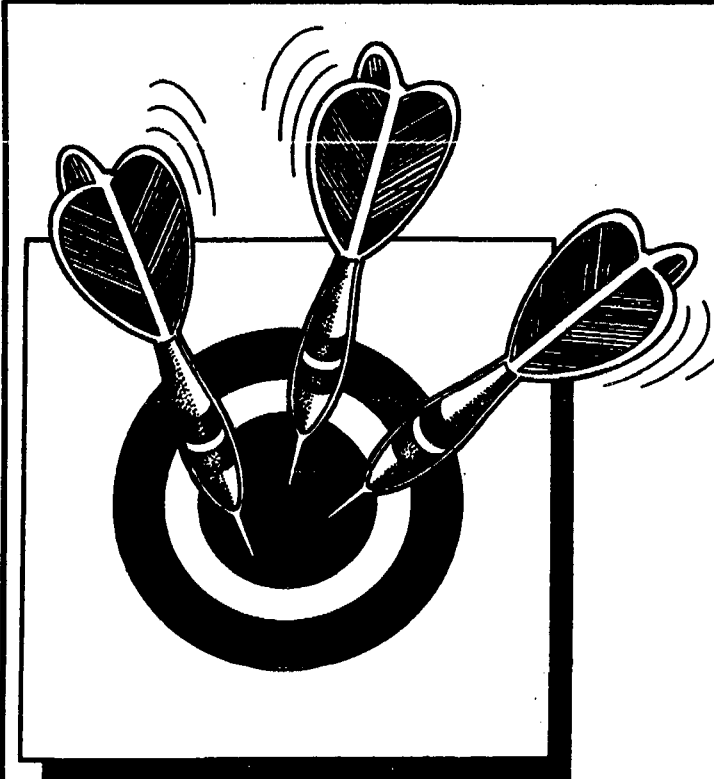
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| 1. Minnesota (47) | 11. Buffalo |
| 2. NY Jets | 12. Pittsburgh (Mon) |
| 3. Green Bay | 13. Ohio St. |
| 4. Miami | 14. Wisconsin |
| 5. San Francisco | 15. Florida St. |
| 6. New Orleans | 16. Texas A & M |
| 7. Chicago | 17. Notre Dame |
| 8. Oakland | 18. CMU (31) |
| 9. Denver (61) | 19. Minnesota |
| 10. Seattle | 20. U of M |

Week #7&8 Football Contest Winners

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Week 8 Winner
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Interfaith Letter on Physician-Assisted Suicide

Fall, 1998

Mindful of our leadership positions in the faith communities that we serve in northern Lower Michigan, and aware of the physician suicide phenomenon which occupies the attention of our community, we take this unprecedented step of issuing a joint statement against assisted suicide.

We believe that life is a gift from the divine Creator, temporarily entrusted to us as faithful guardians of this sacred trust.

Our shared traditions speak against the use of physician-assisted suicide as an acceptable means of confronting end-of-life decision making.

Those who promote this fatal escape as a "right" should remember that such a "right" may quickly become an expectation and, finally, even a "duty" to die. We fear that eventually some individuals and families will be forced to put financial concerns above the needs of loved ones.

Because we value the dignity of each person, we call upon our communities to extend their compassion and care to the chronically ill and the dying.

While this care includes relief from suffering through medical solutions, it also involves any psychological and spiritual support needed by the suffering. This care is also to be extended to the families and care givers of the dying.

We believe the dignity of the human person is an inestimable value in our faith traditions. These values are at the heart of the current discussion on self-determination of the time and place of one's death. Knowing that people of good will disagree on these serious matters, we call upon all parties to conduct the communal dialogue with respect, and to refrain from personal attacks and ridicule.

We call for calm reflection and prayer within the disciplines of our faith to come to the knowledge of what is required of us as stewards, not owners, of human life.

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Bishop Patrick R. Cooney
Catholic Diocese of Gaylord

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REAL ESTATE



Sherwood Forest is the location of this 3 bedroom, 2 bath home with large breezeway leading to attached garage and blacktop circle drive. #3986 \$55,900 Ask for Debbie Bondar!



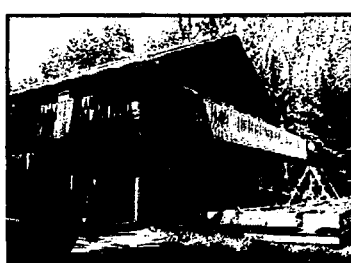
Beautiful riverfront home. View of the AuSable from the master bedroom suite is one highlight of this fine home. Grand kitchen has extensive counter tops, ceramic tile floor with doorways to large back deck. Some other features are main level bedroom, full basement, attached 2-car garage with 15 feet of workbench, covered front deck and landscaping! #4328 \$139,000 Ask for Connie Winans!



Tired of looking at hum-drum houses with no character? Look no further, this 3 bedroom home has plenty! Offering 2 bathrooms, large kitchen, vaulted-beamed ceilings in living room, attached 2 car garage with addition, all situated on a large corner lot in Sherwood Forest Subdivision. Newly painted inside and out, and new roof shingles in 1998. #4338 \$80,900 Ask for Connie Winans!



Prime Commercial Location! This restaurant offers 3,990 + 1,976 sq. ft. with seating capacity of 160 people. Located on the I-75 Business Loop. #4202 \$305,000 includes restaurant operation or \$250,000 building only—no equipment.



Your focal point upon entering into the living room will be the attractive stone fireplace w/brass framed doors. Large windows across the front of the home lends a splendid view of the AuSable River. Lower level features wet bar, sauna, 3/4 bath and doorways leading out to the deck overlooking the river. #4242 \$249,900 Ask for John Kuszak!



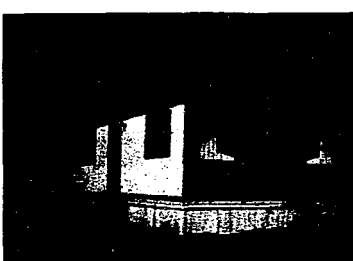
This 24x40 garage has a wood furnace which runs hot water base board heat to home & business. There are many possibilities for this business: snowmobiles, trout fishermen, deer hunters, & also the many year around residents who don't want to drive 25 miles to buy a new plunger, etc. #4071 \$80,500 Ask for Bob Pollack!



This clean 3 bedroom mobile home sits on a nicely wooded 2.5 acre parcel with 100's of acres of state land right across the street. Home has 1 1/2 baths, newer hot water heater, newer fast recovery water pump & a 28x28 garage for those snowmobiles and ORV's. Furnished and ready to move into! #4327 \$42,900 Ask for Randall Hartley.



Would make a good rental or starter home. This home is conveniently located close to schools and the hospital. Features an updated roof, hot water heater, and handicap ramp. Occupancy at closing. #4199 \$25,000 Ask for Sherry Hanson!



What a view! This mobile located near Blue Lake, state land, snowmobile and RV trails has it all to offer for that weekend getaway. This mobile has new well, septic and is priced to sell. #4217 \$29,900 Ask for Bob Pollack!



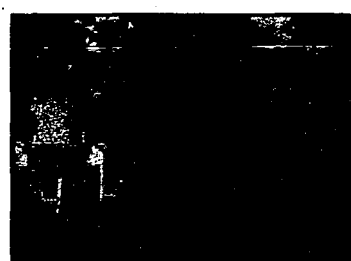
Nice 2 bedroom starter home located in the City of Grayling. Featuring new fixtures and new carpet in the living room, kitchen and bedroom. Nice backyard, covered front porch, new screen door & attached workshop. #4097 \$26,900 Ask for Debbie Bondar!



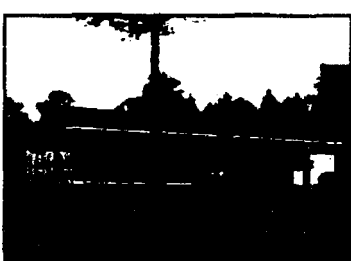
Nice Starter Home, or rental investment. Home features two bedrooms, one bathroom, Michigan basement and comes with stove and refrigerator. Newer siding, windows, well and septic. #4176 \$34,500 Ask for Jim Wiltse!



Location, location. View of Lake Margrethe with close public access. Totally remodeled with a fresh atmosphere! Perfect for recreational or year around. #4278 \$84,900 Ask for Debbie Bondar!



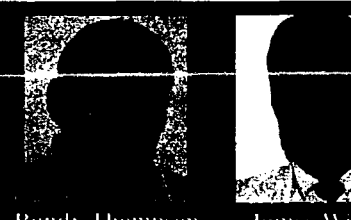
Excellent Location in the City of Grayling is this large family home with full basement, 2 full bathrooms, 4 to 5 bedrooms, large kitchen and more! #4187B \$89,500 Ask for Connie Winans!



This fine home is located on an exceptionally large lot with a total privacy fence. Newly decorated with new floor covering. Includes stove, refrigerator, washer, dryer and dishwasher. The home is extremely energy efficient with a 2 year old natural gas furnace and very economical utility bills. #4306 \$63,900 Ask for Jim Wiltse!



Commercial opportunity with attached 3 bedroom home has split stone fireplace & is as clean as can be. Shop has private entrance & separate bathroom facility. #3666 \$96,500 Ask for Connie Winans!



Randy Thompson



James Wiltse



Sherry Hanson



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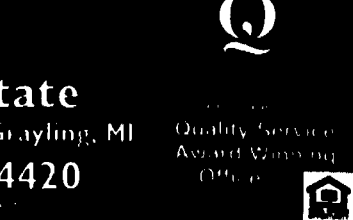
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